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NATURAL HISTORY

OF MANY CURIOUS AND UNCOMMON

ZOOPHYTES,

COLLECTED FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF THE GLOBE

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PRESIDENT OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY, &c. &c. &c.

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AND DISCOVERIES IN NATURAL HISTORY, OF THE LATE

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AND MUCH OBLIGED SERVANT,

THE DAUGHTER OF THE AUTHOR,

MARTHA WATT.

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THE Public have a claim on the Editor of the following fheets, to account for the imperfect state in which they now make their appearance; and, at the fame time, it is hoped that a fhort account of the endeavours of the Author to promote fo curious and laudable a ftudy, will not be deemed an impertinent intrusion on the patience of the reader.

Mr. Ellis, having discovered that feveral subjects, which had been arranged by Natural Hiftorians under the title of Marine Vegetables, were in reality Animal Productions, published, in the year 1755, the refult of the refearches he had made in the investigation of that branch of knowledge, in a quarto work intitled, "" An Effay towards " a Natural Hiftory of British and Irish Corallines." The approbation with which this work was received, gained the Author the acquaintance and patronage of many of the most respectable characters of the age: and an innate defire to dive deeper into the hidden treasures of nature, induced him to make those inquiries which produced feveral Memoirs, which were read at different times before the Royal Society, and published in the Philosophical Transactions; particularly those " on the animal nature of Zoophytes, called Corallina," and "the Actinia Sociata, or Clustered Animal Flower," in the 57th volume, which gained him the honour of Sir Godfrey Copley's medal from that learned body, delivered to him by the President, Sir John Pringle, on the 30th of November, 1768, together with a most flattering compliment in a fpeech from the chair, on the nature and See the utility of the discoveries of the Author.

Thus encouraged, Mr. Ellis became more anxious in the purfuit of his favourite fludy; and being then the king's agent for the pro-

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vince of West Florida; and agent for the island of Dominica; and in correspondence and intimacy with the learned Dr. Linnæus, and the most celebrated natural historians of the age; he was enabled to collect information from the most distant countries, which he pursued with unremitting ardour; and with the affistance of his ineftimable friends, Dr. Fothergill and Dr. Solander, he intended to have laid before the public a complete history of Zoophytes. In this, however, he was unfortunately disappointed; his declining health preventing him from proceeding farther than the completion of these plates, which were all engraven under his immediate inspection, fome at his own expence, and more by the munificence of the late Dr. Fothergill, whose love of science and ample fortune induced him to promote the laudable designs of many, whom a more limited fituation restrained from carrying their pursuits to the extent of their wishes.

For the arrangement of the defcriptions we are indebted to Dr. Solander; whofe premature death prevented this and other valuable works from appearing in fo complete a manner as they would otherwife have done: fince it must be univerfally allowed that the world fuffered in Dr. Solander, the loss of one of the greatest Natural Historians ever known; while his more intimate friends deplore that of an invaluable member of fociety.

These are the circumstances under which the following sheets are now published, at the request of Sir *Joseph Banks*, Bart. P. R. S. who has thought the work not unworthy of his attention, and permitted it to be dedicated to him; and it is prefumed, that, even in its prefent state, it will meet with a favourable reception, fince it throws many new lights upon a fubject hitherto but flightly investigated.

Mr. Ellis's fondnefs for Natural Hiftory was not confined to any particular branch. Botany was likewife to him a fource of infinite amufement; which he endeavoured to render ufeful to fociety in general, but more particularly to the Weft India iflands and America. The hiftorical account of Coffee, published by him in 1774, was defigned to encourage the confumption of that article, raifed raifed by the planters in the West Indies: while the accounts of the Mangostan and Bread Fruit Trees, with directions for conveying feeds and plants from the most distant parts of the globe in a state of vegetation, were published with a view to introduce those, and many other plants into our own settlements, where they might become beneficial to the public for the purposes of medicine, agriculture and commerce. And his active mind was constantly employed in devising means for promoting the welfare of society, until the time of his death, which happened on the 15th of October, 1776.

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MR. ELLIS,

YOU have obliged the Public in general, and this Society in particular, Sir, with fo many judicious experiments, and accurate drawings; fo many acute reafonings, and ingenious obfervations; and fo many valuable improvements in natural knowledge, that it has been difficult to determine which of them are beft intitled to those marks of approbation which the will of the late Sir Godfrey Copley has directed and enabled us to confer by an honorary diffinction—In public acknowledgment of the merit and confequential encouragement of the profecution of fuch laudable fludies.

You have opened fuch a wonderful view of fome of the moft extraordinary productions of nature, and have purfued your difcoveries with fo much fagacity and judgment, that you might have reafon to expect many of these testimonies of your successful labours in Natural History, if it were customary to repeat them.

But as it has only been ufual for the Council to fingle out fome one or two in particular, I am directed by them to deliver this Medal to you, as an express testimony of their approbation of your excellent papers of the year 1767, on the animal nature of the genus of *Zoophytes*, called *Corallina*, and the *Actinia Sociata*, or Clustered Animal Flower, lately found on the fea-coasts of the new-ceded islands, now published in the Transactions for the year 1767.

It would be impertinent in me, Sir, to pretend to expatiate on the 1 nature

SIR JOHN PRINGLE'S SPEECH.

nature of your difcoveries, and the confequences that flow from them; becaufe it is not in my power, nor perhaps in any one's, to explain them with as much clearnefs and diffinctnefs as you yourfelf have done. Therefore, inftead of making any weak efforts to do fo, I will only refer Gentlemen to the perufal of your own accounts of them, in those communications which the Committee of Papers have judged most defervedly worthy of a place amongst the Transactions of this Society.

It only remains, therefore, to put the Medal into your hands, as the most public mark that the Council can give of their high fense of the great acceffion which natural knowledge has received from your most ingenious and accurate investigations.

ARRANGEMENT of ZOOPHYTES.

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I. ACTINIA.

Animal se affigens basi, carnosum, oblongum, teres, contractile, viviparum.

Os terminale, dilatabile, tentaculis cinctum.

Apertura præter os nulla.

Obf. Ex basi tubulosa repente interdum prolifera. ANIMAL FLOWER.

This animal fixes itfelf by its bafe; it is of a flefhy fubftance, and a roundifh oblong form, capable of extending or contracting itfelf; it produces its young alive through its mouth.

The mouth, which is in the middle of the upper part, is capable of great extension, and is furrounded by rows of claws or tentacles.

It has no other opening but that.

Obf. It fometimes produces its young from a creeping tubulous bafe.

I have fome doubt, whether the animal, which I have called *Actinia fociata*, or Clufter'd animal flower, pro-B perly perly belongs to this genus, as it produces its offspring from an adhering tubulous bafe, and the conftruction of the inner parts upon diffection feem to differ from the reft. At prefent I shall rank it as a species, till future discoveries inform us better.

1. Actinia Cereus.

Sea Torchthiftle.

Actinia tentaculis denudatis numerosissimis, corpore longitudinaliter sulcato. This animal flower has many claws, which it cannot contract; the body of it is ftriated or furrowed lengthways.

Hydra tentaculis denudatis numerosissimis, corpore longitudinaliter sulcato. Gærtner Phil. Trans. Vol. 52. pag. 78. tab. 1. fig. 1.

This animal was found on the coaft of Cornwall by my worthy friend Joseph Gærtner, M. D. F. R. S. and is defcribed by him in the Philosophical Transactions.

The claws are of a beautiful feagreen color, ending at the points in a lively rofe color; the difk or center of the claws and the body are of a brown color:

2. Actinia Bellis.

Actinia calyciflora, tentaculis retractilibus variegatis, corpore verrucofo. Sea Daisie:

This animal flower has a head like the calyx of a flower, having many variegated claws, which it draws in. Its body is covered with little warts.

Hydra calyciflora, tentaculis retractilibus variegatis, corpore verrucofo. Gærtner Phil. Tranf. Vol. 52. pag. 79. tab. 1. fig. 2.

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This was likewife found by Dr. Gærtner in Cornwall.

The ftem is quite fmooth, and inclining to a carnation color. The outfide of the cup and body of the animal is marked with white protuberances or warts, and from a flesh color changes infensibly towards the border of the cup, first into purple, then into a violet, and at last into a dark brown. The feelers that furround the difk are almost transparent, and of different lengths and colors; fome of them are of a pale ash color with brown spots, others of a chefnut color with white fpots. The difk or upper part is formed like a ftar, composed of variegated rays of a beautiful mixture of brown, yellow, ash color and white.

3. Actinia gemmacea.

Actinia disciflora, tentaculis retractilibus subdiaphanis, corpore miliaribus glandulis longitudinaliter striato.

This animal flower has a disk furrounded by semitranfparent claws, which it has the power of drawing in. Its body is striated lengthways with thousands of little glands.

Studded Sea Star-flower.

Hydra disciflora, tentaculis retractilibus subdiaphanis, corpore cylindrico miliaribus glandulis longitudinaliter Gærtner Phil. Tranf. Vol. 52. pag. 82. tab. 1. striato. tig. 4.

This is likewife one of Dr. Gærtner's from the coaft of Cornwall, and only to be met with in the fiffures of the rocks.

The color of the stem is of a pale red near the base, the reft of a yellow mixt with grey ash color. The glands of the middle row are white, the reft of the fame color with The feelers are of a whitish color, varied at the the stem. upper

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upper part with feveral crofs lines and brown spots, of an irregular figure, like the backs of some snakes.

4. Actinia Mefembryanthemum.

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Sea Fig-marygold.

Actinia discissiona, tentaculis retractilibus, extimo disci margine tuberculato. This animal flower has a difk furrounded by claws, which it has the power of drawing in; the outward margin of the difk has a row of tubercles.

Hydra discislora, tentaculis retractilibus, extimo disci margine tuberculato. Gærtner Phil. Trans. Vol. 52. pag. 83. tab. 1. fig. 5.

Dr. Gærtner remarks, that the color of this animal is always red in the fummer, and then changes about the latter end of autumn to a dufky green or brown. The feelers or claws are of various colors, as red, blue, white, and even fometimes variegated, and the hemifpherical tubercles often vary as much as the feelers in color.

I have taken notice of this as the most common of all the Actinias; it is to be met with almost on all the rocky coasts of this kingdom, particularly in great abundance on the rocks a little to the eastward of Brighthelmstone in Suffex; what I have seen there has been of the color of a liver, but at Hastings further to the eastward there are a great variety of species of Actinia not yet described, or very badly.

In these 4 Actinias, called Hydras by Dr. Gærtner, I have made use of his descriptions, as thinking them expressive of the subject, and only changed his name of Hydra to that of Dr. Patr. Browne of Actinia.

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The 4 following fpecies were fent to the Earl of Hillfborough, by Mr. Greg from Dominica. They were preferved in fpirits, fo that their color and true appearance, when alive, cannot well be known, which occasions their defcriptions, particularly the three last, to be lefs exact.

5. Actinia fociata.

Actinia tenuis, tubæformis, capitulo subgloboso tentaculato, ex tubulo carnoso adbærenti prolifera. Clustered Animal flower.

This animal flower is of a flender make and trumpet fhape, with a roundifh head furnifhed with circles of claws; from its bafe are produced flefhy adhering tubes, and from thence its progeny arifes.

TAB. I. FIG. I. 2.

Actinia sociata. Ellis Phil. Trans. Vol. 57. pag. 436. tab. 19. fig. 1. 2.

Though I have had the clufters of this animal drawn erect on a rock, I am perfuaded from the flendernefs of their make, their fituation would be more natural, if they were inverted.

Perhaps these may be the clusters of Waterbottles, which Hughes in his Natural History of Barbadoes, p. 296. mentions to grow to the uppermost part of the rock, where his animal flowers are found. The natural fize of a cluster of this animal flower may be seen in Plate 1. fig. 1. At A, one of them is expanding its claws. Fig. 2. expresses one of them diffected lengthways, and magnified to shew the structure of the infide. B in fig. 1. is the beginning of a young one growing up out of the tube at the base.

6. Actinia

TAB. 1.

6. Actinia After.

Sea Star-flower with a smooth Item.

Actinia stirpe crassa, carnofa, subcylindrica, · lævi, truncata, tentaculis radiata.

This animal flower has a thick, flefhy, fmooth and almost cylindrical stem, ending abruptly at the top, which is furnished with circular rows of tentacles.

Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 57. pag. 436. Actinia Aster. tab. 19. fig. 3.

This was fent by John Greg, Efq. from the ceded Islands in the West Indies, to the Earl of Hillsborough.

7. Actinia Anemone.

Actinia carnosa comgono tentaculis plurimis cinEto.

Sea Anemone.

This animal flower is of a planata, disco subbexa- roundish compressed form, with a difk inclining to fix angles, furrounded by many rows of tentacles.

Actinia Anemone. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 57. pag. 436. tab. 19. fig. 4. 5.

This was likewife fent from the West Indies to the Earl of Hillsborough by J. Greg, Esq.

8. Actinia Helianthus.

Sea Sun-flower.

Actinia carnosa complanata hypocrateriformis, disco rotundo tentaculis plurimis prædito.

This animal flower is shaped like a falver, of a flat round form, furrounded by a very great number of tentacles.

Actinia Helianthus. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 57. p. 436. tab. 19. fig. 6. 7.

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The tentacles or claws of all these animal flowers, that were preferved in spirits, are greatly contracted.

This elegant one was likewife fent from the West Indies to the Earl of Hillsborough, by Mr. Greg.

9. Actinia Dianthus.

Actinia lævis subcylindrica, disco quinquepartito foliaceo, tentaculis exiguis albis ornato, osculo elevato striato.

Sea Carnation.

This animal flower is fmooth and fomewhat cylindrical in its ftem. The difk or upper part is divided into 5 leaf-like figures, which are adorned with many minute white claws, that furround its mouth, which is elevated and ftriated.

Actinia Dianthus. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 57. pag. 436. tab. 19. fig. 8.

I found this animal flower in plenty adhering to the under part of fome rocks, opposite to the town of Haftings in Suffex ; it hangs downwards, and has the appearance, when the tide is out, of a flender longstalked yellow fig : but being put into a glass vessel of falt water upon its base, it finks down and exhibits this form, as it is expanding its feelers.

10. Actinia Calendula.

Actinia stirpe subturbinata, disco tentaculis petaliformibus cineto. Sea Marigold.

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This animal flower has a topfhaped ftem, and its difk furrounded by tentacles or claws, fomething like the petals of a flower.

TAB. I. FIG. 3.

The Animal Flower. Hughes's Hift. of Barbadoes, pag. 293. tab. 24. fig. 1.

This animal flower is defcribed by Hughes in his Hiftory of Barbadoes, and the figure represented in the plate is taken from thence.

Mr. Hughes obferves, that thefe animals on being difturbed fink into holes; which is very different from the reft of this genus : befides, he fays he obferved four dark colored threads, fomething like the legs of a fpider, rife out from the center of what he calls the flower, with a quick fpontaneous motion from one fide to the other of the circular border of leaves : thefe in reality, he fays, were fo many arms or feelers, clofing together in imitation of a forceps, as if they had hemmed in their prey, which the yellow border foon furrounded and clofed to fecure.

From the foregoing description, the animal should seem rather to be a particular species of Tubularia, with its tube in the hole of the rock; but this must be left to future observations; at present we shall call it an Actinia.

II. HYDRA.

Animal bafi se affigens, vagum, gelatinosum, lineare, nudum, contractile.

Os terminale, cirrhis setaceis cinetum.

Prolibus lateralibus (autumno ovis) deciduis.

FRESH WATER POLYPE.

This animal fixes itfelf by its bafe; it is gelatinous, linear, naked, can contract itfelf, and change its place.

Its mouth, which is at one end, is furrounded by hairlike feelers.

It fends forth its young ones from its fides, which drop off; but in the autumn it produces eggs from its fides. Though Though there are feveral species of this genus, I shall mention but two of them, and these differ but little from each other, which is chiefly in the number and length of their feelers.

I fhould not have introduced this genus, but that the knowledge of the properties of this animal tends greatly to illustrate the nature of Zoophytes in general; as this alone belongs to the fresh water, and all the others are inhabitants of the fea.

1. Hydra fusca. Hydra *tent aculis suboctonis longissimis*.

Longarmed fresh-water Polype.

This fresh-water polype has very long arms, often 8 in number, and feveral times longer than its body.

Ellis Corallin. tab. 28. fig. C. (The claws are here fhortened, for the conveniency of introducing them within the fize of the plate.)

Hydra fusca. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1320.

2. Hydra vulgaris.

The common fresh-water Polype of the ditches.

Hydra tentaculis longioribus subseptenis, corpore lutescente postice attenuato. This fresh-water polype has longifh arms, generally about 7, which are twice as long as its body; it is of a yellowish color, and smaller towards the bottom.

Fresh-water Polype. Phil. Trans. Vol. 57. pag. 430. tab. 19.

Hydra grisea. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1320. C In

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FLUSTRA.

In August 1770, I found several of this kind of freshwater polype, which I kept for some months, and found that they fend forth 12 claws when they are in perfection.

For a further defcription of this extraordinary animal, with the remarkable experiments on its reproduction when cut in pieces, I fhall refer the reader to a most curious treatife, wrote particularly by Mr. Abraham Trembley, F. R. S. on this fubject; and likewife in the introduction to my Effay on Corallines, the reader will find a fhort defcription of its properties; as alfo in my letter to the Earl of Hillsborough, in the 57th Vol. of the Philosophical Transactions, upon the Actinia Sociata.

III. FLUSTRA.

Animal affixum, raro tubulis radicalibus.

Stirps membranacea foliacea, ex feriebus cellularum multifidis et divergentibus coalita, quafi contexta.

Cellulæ ringentes, ca-

THE SEA MATT

Is an animal that grows on other bodies, and fometimes, but rarely, it adheres by little radical tubes to them.

The ftem is a membranaceous leaf-like fubftance, confifting of many rows of cells united together, which fpread out as they grow, and divide into many parts; the whole furface having the appearance of being wove like a matt.

It fends forth through the pitula

pitula Hydriformia fundo adnata exserentes.

Ovaria: bullulæ ſupra cellulas. mouth-like openings of its cells, fuckers or feelers, fhaped like the fresh-water polype; these are fixt at the bottom of each cell.

The ovaries appear to be the pearl-like ftuds, which we find at the tops of the cells.

This genus was formerly called Eschara, before Dr. Linnæus changed it to Flustra. The criticks find fault with him for altering the old name; for my part, I think he has done it very properly. The name of Eschara fignifying the crust on the flesh that proceeds from the wound of a burn, a term used in surgery, and therefore improper: but Flustra, being derived from $\phi \lambda o \delta \sigma$, teges, a matt, is more descriptive of the appearance of these substances, which look as if they were woven like matts, and therefore much better adapted.

Befides it was neceflary to feparate the membranaceous from the ftony fubftances, both of which were formerly under the name of Efchara: otherwife we might as well rank the foft, fpongy and flefhy fubftance, called Alcyonium digitatum, or Dead-man's toes, as a Madrepora, there being nothing but the difference of their component parts that prevents it; the Madrepora being ftony, and the Alcyonium fpongy.

1. Flustra truncata.

Square-top'd Sea Matt.

Flustra foliacea dichotoma, laciniis linearibus truncatis, tubulis radicalibus instructa. This Sea Matt grows in a fubdivided manner, with narrow fquare-top'd leaves; the bafe is furnished with adhering root-like tubes.

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Fucus marinus scruposus albidus angustior compressus, extremitatibus quasi abscissis. H. Ox. 3. pag. 646. sect. 15. tab. 8. fig. 17. Ray's Synops. pag. 43.

Narrow-leaved Hornwrack. Ellis Corallin. pag. 69. tab. 28. fig. a. A. B.

Flustra truncata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1300.

This Sea Matt is common on the fea coafts of this kingdom. The cells open on both furfaces, and are placed back to back, like the cells in a honeycomb. They are of an oblong fquare fhape, with a little helmet-like figure on the top of each. Their color varies from a pale yellow to a yellowifh brown.

TAB. 2. FIG. 8. 2. Fluftra foliacea.

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Flustra foliacea ramofa, laciniis cuneiformibus rotundatis.

This Sea Matt grows in branches, that divide into wedge-fhaped forms, rounded at the top.

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Broad-leaved Sea Matt.

TAB. 2. FIG. 8.

Fucus telam lineam sericeamve textura sua æmulans. Ray's Synopf. pag. 42.

Broad-leaved Hornwrack. Ellis Corallin. pag. 70. tab. 29. fig. a. A. B. C. E.

Frustra foliacea. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1300.

This is very common on all our fea coafts.

I have given a figure a little magnified in Tab. 2. fig. 8. to fhew its manner of fixing to fhells, and growing up into the form of a plant : but I have more particularly defcribed it in my Effay on Corallines, pag. 70.

The trunck near the base is remarkably fortified with feveral layers of the same kind of cells, which have grown up from the shell, and fixt themselves one over another,

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This was brought from the Bahama Islands by Mr. Mark Catefby, F. R. S.

I have fome elegant fpecimens from the East Indies, that approach very near to this kind, but they have no radical tubes, and their fides bend inwards.

7. Flustra verticillata.

Basketwork Sea Matt.

Fluftra adnata, sæpe frondescens, frondibus linearibus subcompressis basis attenuatis, cellulis turbinatis ciliatis, seriebus altera super alteram dispositis. This Sea Matt grows on fu-^A. cus's, often fending out flattifh linear branches, narrow at the bafe. Thefe confift of rows of top-fhaped ciliated cells, difpofed in whirls, one row above another.

Тав. 4. Fig. a. A.

This elegant little Sea Matt I found growing on a red pennated cartilagenous fucus, called Fucus Nereideus, from the Mediterranean Sea.

The cells when magnified appear furrounded by fharp denticles, with a briftle fituated in the front of each cell, bending inwards like a horn : the mouths of the cells incline forward, and their whole femi-transparent fubftance appears full of fmall points. I am indebted for this, among many other rare fea productions, to my ingenious and worthy friend Dr. John Fothergill, F.R.S.

8. Flustra dentata.

Toothed Sea Matt.

Fluftra plano-foliacea adnata, binc cellulis subovalibus nitidis, osculis dentatis inclinatis. This Sea Matt grows upon fucus's; the cells compose one fingle layer: they are nearly oval, and of a shining color, like

TAB. 4. Fig. a.

like pearl. Their little openings are furrounded by fharp teeth bending inwards.

Ellis Phil. Transact. Vol. 48. pag. 630. tab. 22. fig. 4. D. Corallin. pag. 73. tab. 29. fig. D. D 1.

This Sea Matt, when magnified, has a white femitransparent appearance, full of little dots or points. It is found adhering to fucus's and shells all round the coast of these kingdoms. It is always brightest when taken in the greater depths of the sea. There are frequently little helmet-shaped bull on the tops of the cells, which are fupposed to be the ovaries.

The figure at D. in tab. 22. vol. 48. Phil. Tranf. was drawn for me by Mr. G. D. Ehret, F. R. S. when we were at Brighthelmstone, in Suffex, while it was alive in sea-water, in June 1754. Here the figures of the polypes are exactly represented as they appeared through the microscope.

9. Flustra bullata.

Fluftra adnata, cellulis ovatis extantibus albis, ofculis rotundis, spinulis armatis.

Studded Sea Matt.

Sea Matt with projecting white egg-fhaped cells, having little round mouths, armed with fmall fpines.

Ellis Corallin. tab. 30. fig. d. D.

I have often met with this little Sea Matt upon fucus's, both on the coaft of Suffex and Cornwall. Sometimes it is found furrounding their ftems, at other times fpread on their leaves.

10. Flustra

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10. Flustra arenofa.

Sandy Sea Matt.

Fluftra crustacea arenosa lutosa, poris simplicibus subquincuncialibus. This Sea Matt is formed of fand and flime into a cruftaceous body, with fmall mouths placed almost in a quincunx order.

English sandy Millepora. Ellis Corallin. pag. 74. tab. 25. fig. e.

This fandy Sea Matt, of which but a fmall part is drawn at fig. e. tab. 25. Effay on Corallines, was fent me from Holyhead, in Wales.

Its form, when intire, was exactly like the upper femicircular part of a colt's hoof. The furface of each of the cells was a little hollow in the middle, with a fmall hole in each : from the appearance it made, when I received it intire, I judged it to be what Imperatus calls his Lorica Marina.

There is a layer of fand and flime under as well as over the cells which compose it. It is very friable when dry.

Whether it belongs to this genus or not, I fubmit to the curious.

11. Flustra tubulosa.

Pipy Sea Matt.

Flustra adnata membranacea, cellulis fimplicibus ovato-oblongis, osculis tubulosis erectis. Membranaceous adhering Sea Matt, with a fingle layer of oblong-oval cells, and a tubulous erect opening to each.

This Sea Matt was fent by Mr. Greg, among many other curious fea productions, from Dominica, adhering to a fucus, and differs from all the reft of this genus, in D having having a tubulous mouth to each of its cells. The whole is of a deep yellowish femi-transparent color, and of a membranaceous texture.

12. Flustra membranacea.

Chagrin Sea Matt.

Flustra plano-foliacea indivifa adnata, hinc cellulis quadrangulis oblongis, ad angulos fuperiores prominulis, mucronatis. Membranaceous adhering Sea Matt, with oblong quadrangular cells, pointed at the upper projecting angles.

Flustra membranacea. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1301.

This Sea Matt was brought from Weymouth, in Dorfetshire, and was found adhering to the Fucus digitatus.

There are difperfed here and there, at regular diffances over the furface, little transparent, short, erect tubes; but to what use I shall not pretend to determine, unless they are the ovaries.

IV. CELLARIA.

Animal crescens plantæ habitu.

Stirps crustacea, lapidescens, e cellulis seriatis composita, plerumque ramosa et articulata, tubulis adbærens.

Capitula polypiformia e poro vel ofculo fingulæ cellulæ exferens.

CELLEFEROUS CORALLINE

Is an animal growing in the form of a plant.

The ftem is cruftaceous, inclining to ftone, composed of rows of cells, for the most part jointed and branched, adhering by little tubes.

It fends forth polype-like fuckers from the little openings of each of its cells.

Ovaria

Ovaria incerta, nisi bultulas supra cellulas vocamus, quæ in nonnullis (peciebus extant.

The ovaries are uncertain; but most probably the little hemispherical covers, that appear over the cells, do that office.

Linnæus, in a note at page 1315 of his System of Nature, Ed. 12. remarks, that the vehicles which we observe in the ivory-tufted Celleferous Coralline, and in the Goat's-horn Coralline, feem to unite this genus in a natural order to the Veficular Corallines.

This genus has likewife an affinity to those Flustras or Sea Matts that have but one layer of cells, particularly the Cellaria avicularia, or Bird's-head Coralline, where there are feveral rows of cells united together in one fingle layer.

In this species, and in the Cellaria ciliata, or Ciliated Celleferous Coralline, they have fomething fingular projecting from their cells, which is little figures not unlike birds heads, particularly the former, the use of which is not yet known. In this fpecies I have observed in the microfcope while it was alive, in a watch-glafs full of feawater, these birds heads opening and shutting their beaks all the time that the polypes were extending and contracting themfelves in their cells.

The arrangement of the cells of the Cellaria loriculata, or Coat of Mail Coralline, obliges me to confider the Cellaria farciminoides, or Bugle Coralline, as belonging to this genus; because the Cellaria loriculata has its cells placed back to back, which has the appearance of tending to the roundness of the Bugle Coralline.

I had formerly ranged the Bugle Coralline with the articulated Corallines : but the shape and disposition of the cells, cells, together with the radical tubes, bring it nearer to this genus. And yet both this and the Cellaria Cereoides, or Torchthiftle Coralline, when they grow old, differ from the reft of this clafs; for then we fee them approaching towards the genus of Millepora, by having additional ranges of cells furrounding their first cells, especially the former.

In my obfervations on this genus I cannot pafs over the fingularity of the Cellaria neritina, or Snail-bearing Coralline. The likenefs to Nerits of its rows of little round adhering bodies, which are open on one fide, together with their fhell-like figure and pearly fhining look, inclined me to believe at first that they were the young ones of fuch a fmall kind of fhell-fish. But by comparing them with the figures of others of this genus, they appear rather to be what we have called Ovaries.

Or perhaps they are the young of the animal defended by a teftaceous covering like a little fhell-fifh, which at the time of its maturity feparates from its umbilical chord, by means of which the microfcope difcovers to us, that it has been connected to its cell, from whence it dropsand foon adheres to a proper fubftance as a bafe, beginning to form a Coralline like the parent animal.

This feems more probable, than to confider each of them as an ovary, which ufually contains many eggs of the fame animal.

A late writer, who is a ftrong advocate for the vegetation of Zoophytes, fuppofes thefe little pearl-like figures, as alfo those like the heads of birds in the Bird's-head Coralline (or Cellaria avicularia) to be their Nectariums, analogous to what is fo called in the flowers of fome plants.

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In fome well preferved fpecimens of this fpecies of Coralline, collected at the Bahama Iflands by the Rev. Mr. Clarke, I have obferved fomething very like teftaceous little bodies at the extremities of their radical tubes: from thefe bodies the tubes have crept along till they have been properly fixt. The Coralline then begins to grow erect, and the polypes appear in the cells; after this the eggs or young ones appear, one at the fide of each cell; it is then perfect. I have mentioned thefe three ftages of the Coralline, becaufe I think them fomething analogous to the different changes in moft infects. In the Zoophyte, the various ftates are all connected together at length; but in the infect, thefe different ftates are brought about by different changes of the exterior furface of the fame body.

I muft, before I conclude thefe remarks, obferve, that the advocates for vegetation in thefe bodies, call the wrinkled adhering tubes at the bafe, roots: but they fhould examine them ftrictly, and they would find them meer cylinders, and that they do not grow fmaller towards their extremities, which is evidently the cafe with the roots of vegetables.

1. Cellaria plumofa:

Soft-feathered Celleferous Coralline.

Cellaria cellulis unilateralibus alternis extrorfum acutis, ramis dichotomis erectis fastigiatis. Celleferous Coralline with alternate fharp-pointed cells, looking one way, and ending at top in dichotomous branches.

Soft-feathered Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 33. tab. 18.

Sertularia fastigiata. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1314. 2. Cellaria 2. Cellaria neritina.

Cellaria dichotoma ferruginea, cellulis alternis unilateralibus extrorfum mucronatis, ovulis fubtestaceis nitidis interjeEtis, ofculis margine fubfusco cinEtis.

Snail-bearing Coralline.

This Coralline is of a reddifh brown color and dichotomous, with alternate pointed cells, looking one way; having a little egg on the outfide of each, with an opening furrounded by a dark-colored margin.

Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. pag. 115. tab. 5. fig. a. A. Corallin. pag. 35. tab. 19.

Sertularia neritina. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1315.

3. Cellaria avicularia.

Cellaria latiuscula dichotoma erecta, cellulis unilateralibus alternis bisetis, ore galeato, appendiculis instar avium capitum marginalibus.

.Bird's-head Coralline.

This celleferous Coralline is fomewhat broad, dichotomous, and erect : the cells are alternate and look one way, having a helmet-like figure over the opening, with two little fpines on the top of each : on the outward margin of each is a little figure like a bird's head.

Bird's-head Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 36. tab. 20. No. 2. fig. a. A.

Sertularia avicularia. pag. 1315. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12.

4. Cellaria
ELLARIA. C

Ellis Corallin. pag. 40. tab. Coat of Mail Coralline. 21. No. 7. fig. b. B. Sertularia loriculata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1314.

9. Cellaria Burfaria.

Shepherd's-purseCell.Coralline.

Cellaria ramosa articulata, cellulis oppositis pellucidis carinatis, tubulo adnato subclavato autis.

This Coralline is branched and jointed, and has opposite transparent keel-shaped cells, with a little tube, fwelling at top like a tobacco-pipe, that appears to come out of them.

Shepherd's-purfe Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 41. tab. 22. No. 8. fig. a. A. Sertularia Bursaria. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1314.

10. Cellaria cornuta.

Goat's-born Cell. Coralline.

jointed; it has fingle tubu-

lous crooked cells arifing out

of each other, with a long briftle at the mouth of each.

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This Coralline, which bears

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Cellaria vesiculifera ramosa articulata, cellulis simplicibus tubulosis curvatis altera super alteram, setá ad osculum longissimá.

Goat's-born Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 42. tab. 21. No. 10. fig. c. C. Sertularia cornuta. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1316.

11. Cellaria chelata.

Cellaria ramosa, cellulis simplicibus corniformibus

Bull's-horn Cell. Coralline.

This Coralline is branched, having its cells fhaped like E concatenatis concatenatis, ore margi- horns, difposed like links tonato. gether, with a margin round the mouth of each.

Bull's-born Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 42. tab. 22. No. 9. fig. b. B. Sertularia loricata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1316.

12. Cellaria anguina.

Snake's-head Cell. Coralline.

Cellaria cellulis simplicissinis, tubulis obtusis clavatis, apertura laterali. This Coralline has only fingle cells, of a blunt tubular club-fhape, with an opening on one fide.

Snake Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 43. tab. 22. No. 11. fig. c. C. D. Sertularia anguina. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1317.

13. Cellaria farciminoides.

Cellaria articulata dichotoma, articulis fubcylindricis, cellulis rhombeis obteEtis. Bugle Cell. Coralline.

This Coralline is jointed and dichotomous; the joints are almost cylindrical, and covered on all fides with lozengefhaped cells.

Bugle Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 46. tab. 23. Tubularia fistulosa. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1302.

TAB. 5. 14. Cellaria cereoides. FIG. D.

Torchthistle Cell. Coralline.

B.C.D. Cellaria articulata ra-E. mofa, articulis fubcylindri-

This Coralline is jointed and branched, with joints almost *cis*,

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cis, osculis cellularum undique prominulis. cylindrical. The little mouths of its cells on all fides are a little prominent.

TAB. 5. FIG. b. B. C. D. E.

This erect cellular Coralline is about three inches high ; the larger joints are about three quarters of an inch long, of a dirty white color, and of a ftony coral-like fubftance. It grows in erect tufts, irregularly joined together: the joints are united by little wrinkled tubes: thefe tubes frequently grow out of one of the cells on the fide of the joints; and it is particularly remarkable, that from the end of fome of the tubes fo fituated, a joint grows full of cells, which are placed both above and below the tube, fo that the joint, with its cells, is fupported intirely by the little tube in the middle. This joint, thus fufpended by the tube, is reprefented at fig. C. tab. 5. where it is magnified, with the upright and crofs fection E. and D. D. to fhew the fituation of the cells.

This was brought from Algiers, on the coast of Africa, in the Mediterranean Sea, and prefented to me by Gustavus Brander, Esq.

15. Cellaria tulipifera.

Cellaria stirpe articulata lapidea subdiaphana, articulis clavatis, cellulis ternis dentatis connexis ex apicibus articulorum exeuntibus, et sæpe terminantibus. Tulip Cell. Coralline.

Тав. 5. Fig. a.

This Coralline has a femi-A. transparent, jointed, ftony ftem. The joints are club-shaped. From the upper part of the joints arise three little dentated cells united together; these are placed opposite to one another, and often at the end of the stem.

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TAB. 5. FIG. a. A. E z

This elegant little celleferous Coralline grows on the Fucus minimus denticulatus triangularis of Sloane's Hiftory of Jamaica, tab. 20. vol. 1. and faftens itfelf by little adhering radical tubes. It is fearce half an inch high, but most beautifully formed, of a perfect white enamel. The three little tubular cells are fo combined as to give a tolerable representation of a tulip. The fig. A. tab. 5. shews the magnified appearance of it, and fig. a. a. a. the natural fize as it grows on the fucus.

It is found on this fucus near most of the West-India islands.

TAB. 4. 16. Cellaria Flabellum. Fig. c.

Cellaria lapidea articulata ramosa dichotoma, articulis subcuneiformibus uno latere cellulosis.

Fan Cell. Coralline.

This Coralline is jointed, and of a ftony confiftence, having its branches regularly fubdivided. The joints are almost wedge-fhaped, and full of cells on one fide.

TAB. 4. FIG. C. C.

This is one of the most elegant Corallines of this tribe : it is about two inches high, and is found in tufts, fending out many little tubes by which it adheres. Its milkwhite cells being disposed in a flat and regular subdivision of its branches, gives it the appearance of fo many little fans. The back-part of the joints are convex and striated, but the fore-part, where the mouths of the cells are, is flat. There are three rows of cells in each joint, two cells in each of the two lower rows, and three cells in the uppermost. This was first discovered by Mr. Catefby in the Bahama Islands. I have seen a fort from the East Indies fomething like this, but the joints are curved and bent inwards at the fides : besides, they are longer in proportion, having a greater number of cells in each joint, which are disposed in two rows lengthways, and alternately placed with respect to one another; so that it is a different species from the American one.

Fig. c. and c 1. fhew the natural fize of both fides of the Celleferous Fan Coralline, and C. and C1. the magnified appearance of the fame.

17. Cellaria cirrata.

Cellaria lapidea articulata ramosa dichotoma incurvata, articulis subciliatis, ovato-truncatis, uno latere planis, celliferis.

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This Coralline has jointed ^D. ftony curled branches, regularly fubdivided. The joints are a little ciliated, eggfhaped, and flattifh at top; full of cells, and level on one fide.

Curled Cell. Coralline.

TAB. 4. FIG. d. D.

This beautiful little Coralline is about two inches high. It rifes from a ftem, formed of many pale-yellow little tubes, and looks like a bunch of curls of a cream color. It is formed of joints full of ftony cells, which are connected together by flexible tubes. The back of the cells is ftriated and convex, the front is flat: on the fides of the joints are little hooked fpines, and at the top a few fmall hairs. There are two rows of cells in each joint, three in the upper row and two in the under; the openings are oval.

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FIG. d.

I am indebted to Dr. John Fothergill for this fpecimen : he received it from the East Indies.

Fig. d. is the natural fize, and D. and D1. the magnified figure of a piece of it.

18. Cellaria ternata.

Three-celled Cell. Coralline.

Cellaria ramofa dichotoma articulata repens, articulis angulatis fubturbinatis, cellulis ternis unilateralibus. This Coralline is branched, dichotomous, jointed, and creeping; the joints are nearly top-fhaped, with angles at their fides; they have three cells in the front of each.

This little Coralline, which is of a stony femi-transparent nature, was fent from Aberdeen by the ingenious Dr. David Skene.

V. TUBULARIA.

Animal tubulofum, corneum, fimplicisfimum, vel ramofum, gelatina viva præditum, habitu plantæ crescens, basi affixum; apice capitulum, tentaculorum duabus seriebus ornatum, sustinens; una medium cingens, altera ex ore sese exserens:

PIPE CORALLINE.

This Pipe Coralline is an animal with a horny tube, or one branched into many, full of a living gelatinous fubftance, fixt by its bafe, and growing in the fhape of a plant. On the top of thefe tubes are little heads furnished with two rows of claws: one row furrounds the middle of the heads, and the other is placed round the mouth.

Ovaria

Ovaria inter tentacula The ovaries appear among inferiora. the lower range of claws.

This genus approaches very near to the Serpula with its animal Nereis, especially those with fingle stems. I have never yet seen any more than the three following species, that belong properly to this genus.

1. Tubularia indivifa.

Tubularia tubulis fimplicisfimis aggregatis, sursum leviter dilatatis, basi attenuatis implexis. This Pipe Coralline, with fingle tubes growing in clufters together, is wider upwards and narrower below, where they are interwoven one with another.

Oaten-pipe Coralline.

Tubular Coralline like oaten pipes. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. tab. 17. fig. D. Ellis Corallin. pag. 31. tab. 16. fig. c. Tubularia indivisa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1301.

2. Tubularia Larynx.

Tubularia tubulis fimplicibus aggregatis, binc inde annulofo-rugofis inferne attenuatis.

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Pipe Coralline, like the wind-pipe.

This Pipe Coralline has many fingle tubes, wrinkled here and there, growing in clufters together, and are narrower at the bottom.

Tubular Coralline wrinkled like the wind-pipe. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. tab. 17. fig. C. Ellis Corallin. pag. 30. tab. 16. fig. b.

Tubularia muscoides. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1302.

3. Tubularia

3. Tubularia ramofa.

Branched Pipe Coralline.

Tubularia tubulis ramofis, axillis ramulorum contortis. This Pipe Coralline is branched, and the infertions of the branches are twifted.

Small ramified tubular Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 31. tab. 16. fig. a. tab. 17. fig. a. A.

Tubularia ramofa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1302.

I have often met with fpecimens of this Coralline that have been regularly branched in a doubly pinnated form; and when I was at Emfworth, on the borders of Suffex, I found a fpecimen of this Tubularia, with its ovaries placed in a circle round the lower part of its heads.

VI. SERTULARIA.

Animal polycephalum, crescens habitu plantæ, basique affixum.

Stirps tubulofa, cornea, denticulis calyciformibus obfita, medullæ animalis continua capitula polypiformia emittentibus.

Ovaria: vesiculæ singulares, polypos majores, ova vel prolem vivam continentes.

VESICULAR CORALLINE.

This is a many-headed animal, growing in the fhape of a plant, and fixt by its bafe.

Its tubulous horny ftem is full of cup-fhaped denticles, through which proceed little heads in the form of polypes, from the gelatinous medullary part, which is continued through the infide.

The ovaries are little bladders, either containing a larger kind of polype-head, which fends forth clufters of eggs, or (in other fpecies) the young ones already formed and alive. In

SERTULARIA.

In my Effay on Corallines, page 32, I have taken notice that the branched tubular Coralline was like the Hydra, or frefh-water Polype; but with this difference, that on account of its expofed fituation in the fea, nature had clothed it with a horny fkin. And in this genus of Sertularia, nature has been ftill more favourable in providing little cup-like denticles to fecure their many tender heads fafe, when they are drawn in upon any alarm of danger; whereas the heads of the tubular Corallines have no fuch protection, for which reafon they are not fo often found in the turbulent parts of the ocean as in fheltered receffes of harbours.

It is well known, that the young of fhell-fifh are produced with the shell upon them; the young fea polypes have also their proper horny covering on, fo that the following observations will appear agreeable to truth. The young animal difcharged from its ovary adheres by its bafe, and with its claws quickly procures nourifhment fufficient to increase its bulk : by this means, then, the stem advances, and many more heads with their claws come forth, and stretch themselves out for food; this causes a further increase of nourishment to be drawn in by these additional active organs, which circulates through the whole animal, and enables it, agreeable to the order of nature, to fend forth from its bafe creeping adhering tubes full of the fame living medullary fubftance with the reft of the body. These tubes not only secure it from the motion of the waves, but likewife from these rife other young animals or Corallines, which growing up like the former, with their proper heads or organs to procure food, fend out other adhering tubes from below, with a further increase of these many-headed branched animals; fo that in a fhort time a whole grove of veficular Coral-F lines

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lines is formed, as we find them on oysters and other shellfish, when we drag for them in deep water. Nothing can explain this extraordinary and wonderful proceeding of nature fo clearly, of an animal produced by fuckers like a plant, as the inftance I have already given in the Philosophical Transactions, vol. 57. p. 436. of the increafe of the cluftered Animal Flower, or Actinia fociata, where the animal and its organs are large enough, without the assistance of a microscope, to convince us of the truth of this furprizing fact; and yet these organs are totally different from those of a plant. Here then we see branched animals formed as infects are, with a horny fheath to cover them, which answers the purpose of bones, while the fofter parts are contained in the infide. When we view the different manner and various forms in which these Sertularias grow, we shall still find that, notwithftanding their external appearance, they all agree in the general character of this genus.

Some fend out but few and fhort tubes from their bafe, and rife up into firm stiff fingle stems, growing thicker and also broader at their bottom as they grow old; fuch as we may obferve in the Sertularia argentea, or Squirrel'stail Coralline, S. Thuja, or Bottle-brush Coralline, S. abietina, or Sea-fir Coralline, and S. Pinaster, or Sea-pine Coralline, and many others. Some arife from little tubes ramified like a fponge; these enter into, and compose large stems, as in the Sertularia antennina, or Lobster's-horn Coralline, and the S. Myriophyllon, or Pheafant's-tail Coralline. Some fend out tubes more remote, from whence arife fhorter and more diffant branches, as the Sertularia pumila, or Sea-oak Coralline, and the S. geniculata, or Knotted fea-thread Coralline : but the most fingular are those which, from a congeries of little tubes, form stems and branches, not unlike

unlike the outward appearance of the Gorgonias, fuch as the Sertularia verticillata, or Horfe-tail Coralline; the S. spinofa, or Silk Coralline; the S. halecina, or Herring-bone Coralline; and the S. frutescens, or Shrubby Coralline; these feem to form the first or leading stem as a support for the next to climb up, fo that in some old ftems, particularly of the Herring-bone Coralline, I have observed the inner tubes of their stems have been rotted and deftroyed, by being inclosed by fo many others on their furface. See page 18, Effay on Corallines.

Some writers feem at a lofs to account for the growth of these kind of Sertularias, whose stem and branches are thus composed of many capillary tubes, and therefore are of opinion, that their manner of vegetating is obscure, and that probably they grow not only in length and thickness, but likewife in substance and number of tubes, as plants do.

In order to account for the tubes flicking together, they suppose that they are provided with an intermediate fubstance, by which fome are flightly glued together, others rendered more compact, and fome even become folid and hard.

But it appears evidently on examination, that this gelatinous fubstance is common to all the genus, and is no other than what the radical parts of them all possess in common, in order to adhere firmly to their feveral flations.

So that inftead of these radical tubes lying horizontally, and adhering in lines like the Sertularia pumila, or Sea-oak Coralline, on its fucus, and many others after the fame manner, they raife themselves up from their bases (where these little tubes are first fixed) and support one another by this natural gluten in an erect form, making a ftem out

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out of the continuation of these radical parts: from this stem so formed proceed their branches, furnished with denticles and polype-like heads, as we may observe in Phil. Trans. Vol. 47. tab. 17. fig. G. where there is a magnified representation of the Sertularia halecina, or Herringbone Coralline, drawn as it was alive in sea-water.

1. Sertularia tamarisca.

Sea-Tamarisk Coralline.

Sertularia alternatim ramofa, denticulis oppofitis tubulofis crenatis, ovariis ovato-truncatis bidenticulatis, ore tubulofo. This has alternate branches and oppofite tubulous denticles, waved at top. The ovaries are of an oval form, cut off at the top, with two fmall points at the corners, together with a little tube for a mouth to each.

Sea-Tamarisk. Ellis Corallin. pag. 4. tab. 1. No. 1. fig. a. A.

Sertularia tamarifca. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1307. This is the largeft kind of Sertularia, and but rarely found on these coafts. I have received it lately from Dr. David Skene, of Aberdeen. The figure was taken from one found in Ireland; where in the winter seafon they are full of vesicles, one inferted at the bottom of each pair of denticles. The ovaries of those from Scotland had no points; but this might be owing to their being young.

2. Sertularia abietina.

Sea-Fir Coralline.

Sertularia alternatim pinnata, denticulis subopThe Sea-Fir Coralline is alternately pinnated with dentipositis

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positis ovato-tubulosis, ovariis ovalibus. cles placed almost opposite, of an oval tubulous shape. Their ovaries are of an oval form.

Sea-Fir. Ellis Corallin. pag. 4. tab. 1. No. 2. fig. b. B.

Sertularia abietina. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1307.

This elegant Coralline is frequently found on our coaft, adhering by its vermicular tubes to most kind of shells: it grows very erect, and is frequently infested with little minute shells called Serpulas. The side branches are often pinnated. In the winter the ovaries are in such abundance as almost to cover the denticles, but placed in a very regular order. In this state I have received them from Brighthelmstone, in Sussex.

3. Sertularia polyzonias.

Great Tooth Coralline.

Sertularia sparse ramosa, denticulis ovatis alternis, ovariis obovatis transverse rugosis.

This Coralline is loofely branched, having alternate denticles; the ovaries are nearly egg-fhaped and wrinkled acrofs.

Great Tooth Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 5. tab. 2. No. 3. fig. a. b. A. B.

Sertularia polyzonias. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1312.

We find this Coralline often growing erect, and fending out loofe fpreading branches. A variety is found climbing up other Corallines. I received fome fpecimens from the Ifle of Wight, where there were many young ones climbing up the first stem by radical tubes, and forming a firm strong trunck with long alternate branches; these specimens were about three or four inches high. Others Others I have met with that have grown loofely and unconnected into complicated masses of a semi-transparent pale yellow color; the ovaries, as in the other, were wrinkled transversely.

4. Sertularia argentea.

Squirrel's-tail Coralline.

Sertularia denticulis subriis ovalibus, ramis alternis paniculatis.

This Coralline has nearly oppositis mucronatis, ova- opposite and sharp-pointed denticles, oval ovaries, and alternate tufted branches.

Squirrel's Tail. Ellis Corallin. pag. 6. tab. 2. No. 4. Sertularia argentea. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1308.

5. Sertularia cupreffina.

Sea-Cypres:

Sertularia denticulis suboppositis oblique truncatis, ramis paniculatis sparsis longioribus, ovariis obovalibus.

This has nearly opposite and oblique blunt denticles, with long loofe branches in pani-The ovaries are nearly cles. oval.

Ellis Corallin. pag. 7. tab. 3. No. 5. Sea-Cypress. fig. a. A.

Sertularia cupressina. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1308.

These two last Corallines, though supposed by Linnæus to be the fame, when they come to be compared, have quite a different habit and manner of growing. The latter, or Sea-Cyprefs, is always found in very deep water, and the fide branches often as long again as the Squirrel's Tail, besides the difference of their denticles and ovaries. I have feen, indeed, varieties of the Squirrel's-tail Coralline, but they are eafily known. We find this is the commonest of all the Vesicular Corallines round the

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the coaft of these kingdoms, especially at the Isle of Sheppey; but the Sea-Cypress is chiefly found in deep water on the coast of Yorkshire, Scotland, and the north of Ireland, and not to be had in such plenty.

6. Sertularia operculata.

Sea-Hair Coralline.

Sertularia denticulis oppositis suberectis, ovariis obovatis operculatis, ramis alternis. This Coralline has pointed denticles, which are oppofite; the points bend upwards. The ovaries are egg-fhaped, and have a cover to each. The branches are alternate.

Sea-Hair. Ellis Corallin. pag. 8. tab. 3. No. 6. fig. b. B.

Sertularia operculata. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1307.

There are befides the two larger points to each denticle, two little briffles on each fide of each denticle, which may be feen in the microfcope by a fide view. This was omitted in the figure, as not being placed in a fide view for the painter when it was drawn.

7. Sertularia rofacea.

Lily flowering Coralline.

Sertularia denticulis oppositis tubulosis truncatis, ramis alternis, ovariis coronato-spinosis. This Coralline has opposite tubulous truncated denticles, alternate branches, and ovaries crowned with little fpines.

Pomgranate flowering Coralline. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. tab. 23. fig. 5.

Lily or Pomgranate flowering Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 8. tab. 4.

Sertularia rosacea. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1306. This This moft delicate white tender Coralline is often found growing on fhells, and often climbing up other Corallines. The ends of fome of the branches turn into little radicles, as if it were going to climb up other fubftances, as is expressed at fig. B. Essay on Corallines. The ovaries are most exactly represented through the microscope; those that are unexpanded are in the younger state, and in this form I have now whole branches most beautifully adorned with regular rows of them; those with the points sticking out appear to be in this state, when they have discharged their spawn. This object affords great entertainment in the state of its ovaries, before they are expanded, where they look like so many double flowers.

8. Sertularia pumila.

Sea-Oak Coralline.

Sertularia denticulis oppositis mucronatis recurvatis, ovariis subrotundis. back; the ovaries are roundifh.

Sea-Oak Coralline. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. tab. 23. fig. 6. F. F. and Vol. 57. tab. 19. fig. 11. Corallin. pag. 9. tab. 5. No. 8. fig. a. A.

Sertularia pumila. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1306.

This is met with on feveral fpecies of fucus, but oftener on the Fucus ferratus, or Sea-Oak with ferrated leaves; and, as it is often found on the fhore on the going out of the tide, adhering to the broad leaves of that large remarkable Fucus, it affords us the more frequent opportunities of feeing this animal alive, extending its claws, provided it is immediately, while moift, put into fome clean fea-water. In this ftate it may be kept for fome fome days by renewing the water; we may then cut off fmall pieces, and put them in a watch-glafs full of fea-water, and in a little time they may be examined in the aquatic microfcope. See the figure in the Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. tab. 23. fig. b. F. F. where it is most exactly represented, as it appeared alive. This to perfons not acquainted with the nature of Zoophytes will appear a most furprizing as well as a most agreeable fcene of entertainment, as I have frequently experienced with perfons, who have accompanied me to the fea fide: the properest and most portable microfcope for this purpose I have given a very good figure of in my Essay on Corallines.

9. Sertularia Thuja.

Sertularia denticulis diftichis alternis appressis, ovariis ovatis marginatis, caule angulato rigido paniculato, ramulis creberrimis dichotomis attenuatis.

Bottle-brush Coralline.

This Coralline has two rows of denticles, clofely adhering alternately to both fides of the branches. The ovaries are oval, with a margin or rim about their openings. The ftem is waved and very ftiff: on the upper-part is a tuft of dichotomous little branches, which grow fmaller at the ends.

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Bottle-brush Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 10. tab. 5. No. 9. fig. b. B. and in the frontispiece.

Sertularia Thuja. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1308.

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10. Sertularia Lonchitis.

Sea Spleenwort.

Sertularia articulata pinnata, denticulis alternis distichis appressis, ovariis ovatis operculatis. This Coralline has a jointed and pennated ftem, with two rows of alternate denticles adhering clofely to it. The ovaries are oval, and have a cover to each.

Sea Spleenwort or Polypody. Ellis Corallin. pag. 11. tab. 6.

Sertularia Lichenastrum. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1313.

I have received fpecimens from the East Indies of a Sertularia very like this in appearance, but fmaller, where both the denticles and branches are exactly opposite, and the joints both on the stem and branches much closer together. The S. Lonchitis was found in the harbour of Dublin.

11. Sertularia falcata.

Sertularia denticulis fecundis imbricatis truncatis, ovariis ovato-oblongis, ramis pinnatis alternįs, caule flexuofo.

Sickle Coralline.

This Coralline has a waved ftem, and branches alternately pennated; thefe are furnished with a fingle row of blunt denticles, lying close one behind the other. The ovaries are of an oblong oval shape.

Sickle Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 12. tab. 7. No. 11. fig. a. A. and the center of the frontifpiece.

Sertularia falcata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1309.

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In the center of the frontifpiece to my Effay on Corallines I have given a figure of this beautiful Coralline, as it appears alive in the fea. The figure in tab. 7. was drawn from a dried fpecimen.

12. Sertularia Pluma.

Podded Coralline.

Sertularia denticulis fecundis imbricatis campanulatis, ovariis gibbis cristatis, furculis pinnatis lanceolatis alternis. This Coralline has bellfhaped denticles, lying clofe above one another; the ovaries are gibbous and crefted; the little fprigs rife alternately, and are pinnated.

The Podded Coralline. Ellis Corallin. p. 13. tab. 7. No. 12. fig. b. B.

Sertularia Pluma. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1309.

This neat feathered Coralline is generally found climbing up, and furrounding fucus's, particularly the podded Fucus. Its little tubulous radicles are disposed in circles round the stem of the Fucus in such a manner, by uniting together, that the force of the fea cannot feparate it without tearing the Fucus to pieces. 'The fide branches that fupport the denticles are jointed; and the denticles, whole margins are ferrated, are supported in the front of each by a little projecting hollow fpine, which, in the Sertularia Pennatula, one of this tribe, is longer and more diffinct, but cut off at the end, as will appear in tab. 7. fig. 1. 2. This little spine does not appear in our figure, on account of the painter's drawing the Coralline from an oblique back view of the branches. See the figure in Effay on Corallines, tab. 7. The pods or ovaries have generally five criftated ribs, pointing obliquely upwards, G₂ and and proceeding from the back tube. This Coralline is common on the British coast.

I have lately received from Dominica, fome very large fpecimens of this kind, fix inches high, that are loofely branched, and grow erect on fhells. The ovaries of thefe are more oblong, and refemble those of a bean-pod, and have eight or nine furrounding criftated ribs.

Besides these, we often meet with a very minute variety on the Fucus natans, or Gulph-weed, and some other varieties from the Mediterranean and the East Indies.

13. Sertularia Myriophyllum.

Sertularia pinnata, pinnis alternis, rachi nodofa, nodulis externe arcuatis distantibus; denticulis fecundis truncatis stipulatisque.

Pheasant's-tail Coralline.

This Coralline, with featherlike branches alternately difpofed on the front of the midrib or ftem, the back of which has arched knots, placed at a diftance from each other; the denticles are even at top, each like a cup fupported by a focket, with a fhort fpine in front, and are placed in a row above one another on the under part of the little featherlike branches.

Pheafant's-tail Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 14. tab. 8. Sertularia Myriophyllum. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12.

Sertularia Myriophyllum. pag. 1309.

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The form of the stem of this Sertularia is different from all the kinds hitherto known, on account of the arched knots on its stem : when it is put into water, the two rows of little branches, or pinnæ, become nearly straight, or incline a little at their ends, with their denticles towards each other. I have never yet seen their ovaries, nor any other specimen, but that which was collected near the harbour of Dublin, part of which is very exactly represented in my Essay on Corallines. An elegant specimen of this is preserved among my other Zoophytes in the British Museum.

14. Sertularia antennina.

Sertularia furculis fubfimplicibus verticillatis, fetulis denticulis fecundis calyciformibus, ovariis axillaribus pedunculatis oblique truncatis.

Lobster's-born Coralline.

This Coralline has fingle ftems, but there is a variety that is branched. Thefe are furrounded with whirls of briftle-like fmall branches, which have on the upper fide rows of cup-fhaped denticles; their ovaries have foot-ftalks, and are obliquely open towards the ftem : thefe are placed round it at the infertion of the branches.

Lobster's-born Coralline, or Sea-Beard. Ellis Corallin. pag. 15. tab. 9.

Sertularia antennina. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1310. The branched variety of this Coralline is reprefented in the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 48. tab. 22. as it appeared alive in fea-water; and was, in June 1754, most most accurately drawn at the sea fide at Brighthelmstone, by my late worthy friend Mr. G. D. Ehret.

15. Sertularia halecina.

Herring-bone Coralline.

Sertularia ramofa pinnata, ramulis alternis, denticulis tubiformibus biarticulatis, ovariis ovalibus, pedunculis lateraliter coadunatis. This Coralline is alternately branched and pinnated; the denticles are formed like tubes with two joints : the ovaries are oval, each united along the fide to a little tubular ftalk.

Herring-bone Coralline. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. tab. 17. fig. E. F. G. Corallin. pag. 17. tab. 10. Sertularia halecina. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1308.

This Coralline is particularly defcribed in my Effay on Corallines, and likewife in the Philofophical Transactions, Vol. 48. tab. 17. in both which places it is represented as it is alive in the fea.

16. Sertularia pinnata.

Sertularia fimplex pinnata et articulata, pinnis alternis arcuatis, denticulis femicampanulatis fecundis, ovariis ovatis confertis ore coronatis.

Jointed Sea-briftle Coralline.

This Coralline has a fingle pinnated ftem; the little branches are placed alternately, and expand themfelves like an arch on each fide: the denticles are on one fide, and half bell-fhaped: the ovaries are oval, coming out in clufters along the ftem; their openings look like little crowns. Sea Briftles. Ellis Corallin. pag. 19. tab. 11. No. 16. fig. a. A.

Sertularia pinnata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1312.

This Coralline differs very much from the fetacea, or fmall briftle: it is three inches high, twice as big every way as the other; and differs not only in being jointed, but the denticles are half bell-fhaped, and much nearer together; befides, the ovaries are in clufters all along the upper fide of the ftem, and when the young ones are ready to come out, the tops of the ovaries are divided like a coronet. This defcription is taken from a very good fpecimen, preferved in fpirits, with its polypes and ovaries perfectly diftinct.

17. Sertularia fetacea.

Sertularia fimplex pinnata, pinnis alternis fubincurvatis, denticulis obfoletis remotiffimis fecundis, ovariis oblongo-tubulatis axillaribus.

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Little Sea-briftle Coralline.

This Coralline has a fingle pennated ftem; the pinnæ, or finall fide branches, are alternate and a little bent: the denticles are but juft vifible; they are on the upper fide of the little branches, and very remote from each other: the ovaries come out juft above the infertion of the little branches, and are of an oblong tubulous fhape.

Sertularia pinnata β . Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1312. This little beautiful Coralline, which is about one inch and an half high, is more frequently met with than the former.

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Sertularia mollis ramofa pellucida, ramulis creberrimis teneris dichotomis, fpinis terminantibus, denticulis obfoletis fecundis diftantibus, ovariis veficulæformibus.

Silk Coralline.

This Coralline is fmooth, transparent, and branched; the fmaller branches are very tender, many, dichotomous, and gradually end in points; the denticles are but just visible, and placed at a distance from each other on the fame fide, from whence the ovaries that are like vesicles proceed.

Silk Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 20. tab. 11. No. 17. fig. b. d. B. C. D.

Sertularia fpinofa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1312. This Coralline has fomething very fingular in it, each polype-head being inclosed in a vesicle, which falls off when the head decays: whether these are the ovaries as well as mouths to supply the animal with food, future observations must explain to us, but at present it seems most probable.

19. Sertularia dichotoma.

Sertularia longiffima ramosa dichotoma, denticulis campanulatis, pedunculis annulosis, ovariis ovatis axillaribus, pedunculis contortis.

Sea-thread Coralline.

This Coralline is very long, and branched in a fubdivided manner; it has bell-fhaped denticles, fupported by ftalks full of rings: the ovaries are oval, and fit upon twifted footftalks at the infertion of the branches.

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Sea-thread Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 21. tab. 12. No. 18. fig. a. c. A. C.

Sertularia dichotoma. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1312.

It is found on the Suffex coaft, but in greater plenty on the coaft of Holland.

20. Sertularia geniculata. Knotted Sea-thread Coralline.

Sertularia denticulis alternis calyciformibus, pedunculis contortis, ovariis ovato-truncatis axillaribus. This Coralline has alternate cup-fhaped denticles, with twifted ftalks; the ovaries are oval, and flattifh at top.

Knotted Sea-thread Coralline. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. tab. 22. fig. 1. Corallin. pag. 22. tab. 12. No. 19. fig. b. B.

Sertularia geniculata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1312.

This creeping little Coralline has but few branches, and they are alternate : it is found adhering by little tubes to the podded Fucus, and fometimes to the Sea-Oak Fucus. I have met with it on the coaft of Suffex, growing upon the Ascidia intestinalis of Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1087. which is a foft, white, membranaceous animal, nearly egg-fhaped, that fixes itfelf by its bafe to rocks and shells; has two openings, one at the top and the other a little lower, from whence it fquirts out the water. On this the Knotted Sea-thread Sertularia, or Coralline, fends forth its root-like tubes, nearly in strait lines; from whence arife, at a fmall diftance from each other, young sprigs about an inch high, properly furnished with their denticles and polype-heads, fo as to Η form

form a beautiful little grove-like figure of this animal. This most elegant specimen I have preferved in spirits.

The figure of this animal, without its ovaries, was drawn by Mr. Ehret, in June 1754, at Brighthelmstone, and is represented in the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 48. tab. 22. No. 1. A. to shew the medullary part of this animal in the stem, united to the several heads in their cup-like denticles. This is a most exact figure of one of those on the Ascidia before mentioned, when viewed through the microscope in sea-water. The figure at tab. 12. fig. B. Essay on Corallines, has the ovaries, but not the cup-shaped denticles: this was taken from a dried specimen, where the joints are very much shrunk, so as to look knotty.

21. Sertularia verticillata.

Sertularia subramosa, denticulis campanulatis pedunculatis margine dentatis suberectis verticillatisque, ovariis ovato-tubulos.

Horse-tail Coralline.

This Coralline is loofely branched; the denticles are bell-fhaped, indented on the margin, fit on foot-ftalks, and are placed in whirls at regular diftances round the ftem. The ovaries are egg-fhaped, and end in a tube.

Horfe-tail Coralline with bell-shaped cups. Ellis Corallin. pag. 23. tab. 13. No. 20. fig. a. A.

Sertularia verticillata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1310.

Since I published my Effay on Corallines, I have met with fome specimens, with their ovaries, which were of an oval figure, ending in a tubular mouth.

This Coralline is remarkably tender and brittle, and the bell-fhaped denticles are fo glutinous, that it is very 3 difficult to feparate them from the paper when they are expanded. The stalks that support them are very elegantly twisted, like the stems of some modern drinking glasses.

22. Sertularia volubilis.

Sertularia denticulis campanulatis dentatis alternis, pedunculis longiffimis contortis, ovariis ovatis interdum tranverfe rugofis. This Coralline, with bell-f.E.F. fhaped denticles, indented on the margin, grows alternately; the denticles are fupported by very long twifted footftalks; the ovaries are eggfhaped, and fometimes wrinkled acrofs.

Climbing Bell Coralline.

Climbing Coralline with bell-shaped cups. Ellis Phil. Trans. Vol. 48. tab. 22. fig. 2.

Small climbing Coralline with bell-shaped cups. Ellis Corallin. pag. 24. tab. 14. No. 21. fig. a. A.

Sertularia uniflora. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 57. pag. 437. tab. 19. fig. 9.

Sertularia volubilis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1311.

There are different varieties and fizes of this twining bell-fhaped Coralline, from one quarter to three quarters of an inch long; particularly the branched fort in tab. 4. fig. e. f. E. F. which is very rarely met with. This has wrinkled ovaries, but most of the others are fmooth. These are all found climbing up and growing upon other vesicular Corallines; most of them are to be met with on the coast of Suffex.

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23. Sertularia repens.

Creeping Coralline.

Sertularia denticulis cylindricis oblique truncatis alternis, pedunculis contortis denticulis brevioribus, ovariis - - - - This Coralline has alternate cylindrical denticles, opening obliquely; with twifted ftalks, fhorter than the denticles; the ovaries are unknown.

Ellis Corallin. pag. 25. tab. 14. fig. b. B. Sertularia Syringa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1311.

24. Sertularia rugofa.

Snail-trefoil Coralline.

Sertularia denticulis alternis rugofis, ramis vagis, ovariis rugofiffimis tridentatis.

This Coralline has alternate wrinkled denticles and irregular branches; the ovaries are very much furrowed, and have three erect points at the opening of each.

Snail-trefoil Coralline. 15. No. 23. fig. a. A. Ellis Corallin. pag. 26. tab.

Sertularia rugofa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1308. These Corallines grow upon others on the British coast.

25. Sertularia lendigera.

Sertularia articulata fubdichotoma implexa, denticulis cylindricis fecundis parallelis ad genicula minoribus, ovariis - - - -

Nit Coralline.

This Coralline is jointed; the branches are fubdivided and irregularly interwoven; they have cylindrical parallel denticles coming out on one fide, and growing lefs at the joints; the ovaries are unknown.

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Nit Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 27. tab. 15. No. 24. fig. b. B.

Sertularia lendigera. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1311.

26. Sertularia Uva.

Grape Coralline.

Sertularia fubramofa, denticulis obfoletis, ovariis ovatis racemofis. This Coralline has but fewbranches; the denticles are fcarce to be diftinguished; the ovaries are oval, growing in clusters.

Grape Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 27. tab. 15. No. 25. fig. c. C. D.

Sertularia Uva. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1311.

These two last are parasite Corallines, growing on Fucus's and other Corallines, on the British coast.

27. Sertularia Cuscuta.

Sertularia denticulis obfoletis, ovariis ovatis axillaribus, ramis oppositis fimplicibus.

Dodder-like Coralline.

There is no appearance of denticles on this Coralline; the ovaries are oval, and placed at the infide of the infertion of the branches; the branches are fingle and oppofite.

Climbing Dodder-like Coralline. Ellis Corallin. p. 28. tab. 14. No. 26. fig. c. C.

Sertularia Cuscuta. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1311.

This was fent me among other fea productions from the weft coaft of England, adhering to and creeping up the Fucus filiquofus.

28. Sertularia

28. Sertularia pustulofa.

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Sertularia articulata T sparsim et alternatim ra- and mosa, geniculis superne bran obsolete denticulatis, ova- the

This Coralline is jointed, and alternately, but thinly branched: the appearances of the denticles which lie along the upper part of the joints, are but just visible.

Pimpled Coralline.

Dichotomous tubular Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 54. tab. 27. fig. b. B.

This Coralline was brought to me from the Isle of Wight. The specimen from whence the sigure was taken was an imperfect one; fince then, I have from the same place received several perfect ones, four inches long. It confists of very delicate tender branches, which arise from adhering tubes. Several of the tubes are united loosely near the base, like the Silk Coralline; from thence they rife up into long branches, fending forth alternate short branches, forming a joint at every branch : towards the upper part of every joint are several shallow denticles, having a little circular rim with a point in the middle of each, not unlike a pimple or puscule: as they are most exactly drawn in the Essay on Corallines, at tab. 27. fig. B. through the microscope.

I am perfuaded many people, from the defcription of this, as well as the Dodder Coralline, without examining them in the microfcope, would take them for decayed Confervas; but they are true Sertularias, as the fpecimens fhew.

29. Sertularia

29. Sertularia frutescens.

Sertularia ramofa tubulofa pinnata, pinnulis fetaceis alternis arrectis, denticulis fecundis cylindrico-campanulatis, ovariis - - - - Shrubby Coralline.

Тав. 6. Fig. a.

This Coralline has a ftem A. full of fmall united little tubes, from whence come forth rows of fmall branches difpofed alternately in a pinnated order, bending upwards; the denticles are of a cylindrical bell-shaped form, placed one above another on the fame fide; the ovaries are unknown.

Тав. 6. Fig. a. А.

This Coralline was found at Scarborough, in Yorkfhire. The ftem is black and hard, the branches of a dark brown : it is more firm and woody than any of this genus, and appears to be the very fame fpecies with that which Dr. Pallas fent me from Holland, incrustated with an Alcyonium, by the name of Sertularia Gorgonia. See tab. 9. fig. 1. 2.

30. Sertularia Pinaster.

Sertularia fimplex pinnata, pinnis alternis, denticulis oppositis basi cauli appressis, apice tubuloss incurvis, ovariis secundis majoribus ovato-quadrangulis, angulis mucronatis, ore tubuloso. Sea-Pine Coralline.

Тав. б.. Fig. b.

This Coralline has a fingle B. pinnated ftem; the little branches are alternate, with oppofite denticles, the bottom of which adheres clofe to the branch, but the top part is tubular, and bent upwards; the ovaries are large and ranged on one fide; they are of:

of an oval form with fquare fides, the angles end in points at the corners on the top; in the middle of each is a little tubulous opening.

TAB. 6. FIG. b. B.

TAB. 7. 31. Sertularia Pennatula. Fig.1.2.

> Sertularia fimplex pinnata, pinnis incurvis articulatis, denticulis fecundis campanulatis corniculo truncato fuffultis, marginibus crenatis spinis duobus oppositis instructis, ovariis - - - -

Sea-Pen Coralline.

This Coralline has a fingle pennated ftem; the pinnæ or fide fmall branches are jointed and curvated; the denticles are ranged on one fide, each fupported by a little horn-like tube; they have a crenated margin, with a little fpine on each fide, oppofite to each other; the ovaries are not known.

TAB. 7. FIG. 1. 2.

This Coralline is as remarkable for the elegance of its form, as its likenefs to the feather of a pen. It is of a yellowifh-brown color, about five or fix inches high. There are many of them rife together from the fame adhering tubes, with ftiff jointed ftems. The little crooked tubes that fupport the denticles are longer in this fpecies than in any of the like kind, being twice as long as the denticles.

It is not uncommon among the islands in the East Indies.

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32. Sertularia Filicula.

Sertularia ramofiffima pinnata, stirpe flexuosa, ramulis ex angulis alternis, denticulis ovato tubulosis; singulo ad axillam arresto; ovariis obverse ovatis apice tubulatis.

Fern Coralline.

Тав. б. Fig. c. C.

This Coralline is very much branched and pinnated; the ftem is bent to and fro into alternate angles; the little branches are produced from the angular points; thefe are furnifhed with oppofite ovaltubulated denticles: in each axilla, or part where the little branches come out, is an erect fingle denticle.

TAB. 6. FIG. c. C.

This is one of the most delicate species of our English vesicular Corallines. It has been taken by some authors and collectors of these substances, for a lesser species of the Sertularia abietina, or Sea-Fir: but the sertularity of its waved stem, with its erect single denticle at the infertion of the branches, together with the single pair of denticles on each part of the stem, that form the angles, make it a very distinct species from any of this genus. It is commonly found upon the coast of Scarborough, in Yorkshire.

33. Sertularia quadridentata.

Sertularia fimplex articulata repens, denticulis quaternis oppositis ventricosis, articulis subturbinaFour-toothed Coralline.

TAB. 5. Fig. g. G.

This creeping Coralline fends forth fingle flems, that are jointed; the joints have generally four denticles of the I *tis* tis basi contortis, ovariis

figure of the ftomach, each opposite to the other; the articulations are nearly topfhaped, and twifted at the bafe; the ovaries are unknown.

TAB. 5. FIG. g. G.

I found this little Coralline adhering by its radical tubes to a fpecies of Fucus, called by Linnæus, Fucus lendigerus. In the plate I have given a figure of the Fucus with the Coralline creeping up it, of its natural fize. It was taken up at fea by an East-India ship on the coast of Africa, not far from the island of Ascension.

34. Sertularia spicata.

Sertularia stirpe tubulosa paniculata annulata, ramulis creberimis trichotomis ad annulos verticillatim dispositis, denticulis ternis cylindricis cæcisque terminalibus, ovariis ovatis axillaribus.

Spiked Coralline ...

This Coralline has a tubulous ftem, furrounded by rings, and ending in a panicle, confifting of many clofe-fet branches, which are fubdivided in a threefold order; thefe are inferted in whirls round the rings, and end in three cylindrical denticles, whofe openings are very fmall; the ovaries are oval, and inferted in the angles of the branches.

35. Sertularia Evansii.

Sertularia ramofa, ramis oppositis, denticulis

Evans's Coralline.

This Coralline has opposite branches, and short denticles brevibus

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brevibus oppositis, ovariis ramosis lobatis oppositis ex. tubulo reptanti enascentibus.

placed oppofite to each other; the ovaries are lobated, and arife from oppofite branches, which proceed from the creeping adhering tube.

This Coralline is about two inches high, very flender, and of a bright yellow color. It creeps on fucus's. The ovaries differ from all the reft of the genus: they are lobated, and the lobes are placed opposite to one another: these appear to be full of spawn, of a deep orange color, which is fent forth from holes at the end of the lobes.

This was first discovered by Mr. John Evans, a seaofficer in the East-India Company's service, among some sea productions brought from Yarmouth, in Norfolk, in the year 1767.

36. Sertularia muricata.

Sertularia articulata, denticulis pedunculatis ex fingulis articulis alternis, ovariis fubglobofis cristatis muricatis pedunculatis, ex tubulis radiciformibus enascentibus. Sea Hedge-Hog Coralline. TAB. 7. FIG. 3.

This Coralline has a jointed 4. ftem, with denticles on footftalks proceeding alternately from the joints; the ovaries are globular, full of points from crefted ribs; they fit on foot-ftalks, and arife from root-like tubes.

TAB. 7. FIG. 3. 4.

Dr. David Skene, of Aberdeen, first discovered this Coralline. The specimens he fent me were imperfect, as wanting the denticles; they seem to be, by what I could judge of the stalks and imperfect pieces, not unlike the I 2 knotted knotted Sea-thread; but differ remarkably in having their echinated ovaries arife from the adhering tubes.

VII. PENNATULA.

Animal natans, liberum, multiforme, officulo fuffultum,

Polypos tentaculis radiatis oviparis a parte superiori exserens.

Basis nuda.

SEA-PEN

Is an animal that fwims freely about in the fea, of many fhapes, having a bone in the infide to fupport it.

It fends forth from the upper part of its flem, polypelike mouths furrounded by claws; through these it produces its eggs.

The lower part of the stem.

This genus of animals differs remarkably from all the other Zoophytes by their fwimming freely about in the fea, and many of them having a mulcular motion as they fwim along. I know of none of them that fix themfelves by their bafe, notwithftanding what has been wrote. They have no opening at the bottom, as was formerly thought, nor any other paffage but through their polype mouths; by these they take in their food, and through these they produce their eggs, as in most Zoophytes. They have the remarkable property of fending forth a strong phosphoreal light in the fea.

When we compare them to the other Zoophytes, they approach neareft to the Gorgonia, as having a bone in the infide like them, which is covered with flefh, and their upper parts full of polype-like mouths.

Nothing
PENNATULA.

Nothing can be a stronger proof that the Gorgonias are fingle animals with many heads, than their near affinity to the pen-shaped animals of this genus.

1. Pennatula Britannica.

The British Sea-Pen.

Pennatula stirpe carnosa tereti, rachi scabra, polypis tentaculatis ordine simplici.

This Sea-Pen has a round flefhy ftem; the midrib between the fins rough, with minute fcales, and fingle rows of tentaculated fuckers on each fin.

Pennatula phosphorea. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 53. tab. 19. fig. 1-5. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1322.

I call this the British Sea-Pen, to diffinguish it from the following, which I call the Italian Sea-Pen, and because it is found in great plenty sticking to the baits on the fishermen's lines, round the coasts of this kingdom; especially when they make use of muscles to bait their hooks. Great numbers have been taken on the coast of Scotland, especially near Aberdeen.

They are of a bright red color, and have the property, with the reft, of shining in the dark, in a most remarkable manner, like the Italian Sea-Pen.

2. Pennatula Italica.

Italian Sea-Pen.

Pennatula stirpe carnofa tereti, rachi patula verrucosa, spina brevi ad basin dorsi cujasque pinnæ:

This Sea-Pen has a round flefhy ftem; the midrib is broad and full of warts, and on the back of the fins, at the bafe, there is a fhort fpine in each.

Red

Red Sea-Pen. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 53. tab. 21. fig. 1. 2.

Pennatula rubra. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1322.

The Italian Sea-Pen differs from the British fo much, that there is no room to doubt but they are very different The British is much longer, more slender, and fpecies. not so fleshy as the Italian; but the broad, warted, midrib and fpiny fins of the latter, diffinguish it plainly; befides, the denticles are placed fo thick as to appear like a double row. This varies in color from a deep red to a pale red. Doctor Shaw observes of this, that on the coaft of Algiers it fends forth fo great a light in the night, that the fishermen can diffinguish the fish as they swim by it, fo as to know where they caft their nets. This was brought from the coaft of Italy. I am indebted to my learned friend Thomas Pennant, Efq. F. R. S. for the curious specimen represented in the Philosophical Transactions.

3. Pennatula spinofa.

Pennatula stirpe carnofa, rachi lævi, pinnis imbricatis plicatis spinosis.

The Thorny Sea-Pen.

This Sea-Pen has a fleshy stem, a smooth midrib, and thorny fins folded one over another.

Penna grisea. Bohadich mar. 109. tab. 9. fig. 1-3. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 53. tab. 21. fig. 6-10.

Pennatula grifea. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1321.

I have changed Bohadsch's name of grifea to spinofa, as being more descriptive of its character, the fins differing from any of the species yet known by their long spines. The success, which I have carefully examined, and had drawn

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drawn from the microfcope, have the appearance of an elegant flower. This was brought from Italy, and fent to me by Thomas Pennant, Efq. F. R. S.

4. Pennatula mirabilis.

The Strange Sea-Pen.

Pennatula stirpe filiformi, rachi distiche pinnata, pinnis lunatis remotis alternis. This Sea-Pen has a long flender ftem, whofe midrib is pennated on both fides; the pinnæ or fins are placed alternate, and at a diftance from each other, and fhaped like a half-moon.

Polypus mirabilis. Muf. Ad. Fred. pag. 96. tab. 19. fig. 4.

Pennatula mirabilis. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 53. tab. 20. fig. 17. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1322.

This Sea-Pen, whole figure I have taken from Dr. Linnes's Muleum Adolph. Fred. feems not properly to belong to this genus, or is only a part of one, and wants the fleshy base.

I have a fpecimen fent me from Holland with a flefhy bafe, whofe pinnæ or fins anfwer to his defcription; but fome of the upper part of it being broken off, prevented my giving a figure of it.

5. Pennatula antennina.

The Peacock-fifth Sea-Pen.

Pennatula stirpe simplici, rachi quadrangulari, lateribus tribus polypifera. This Sea-Pen has a fingle stem; the midrib is fquare, and full of polype-like suckers on three fides.

Penna del pesce pavone. Bohadsch mar. 112. tab. 9. fig. 4. Phil. Trans. Vol. 53. tab. 20. fig. 8.

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Pennatula antennina. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1323.

This extraordinary Sea-Pen was difcovered by Dr. Bohadfch, of Prague, while he was at Naples in the year 1757. He fays, when it was brought to him, it was two feet ten inches long, and very possibly had been much longer, as it was broke off at the bafe.

The bone, which was fquare, was covered over with a yellowifh membrane, and three fides of the upper part of the trunk were covered with tentacles, the fourth, bare. He fays, he numbered them, and found 1310, and that these tentacles are not drawn in, as in the other Sea-Pens. Other authors mention, that the tentacles are only on one fide; but Dr. Bohadsch had an opportunity of seing it as it was taken out of the sea.

6. Pennatula Sagitta.

The Arrow Sea-Pen.

Pennatula stirpe filiformi, rachi utrinque approximate pinnata, apice nudo. This Sea-Pen has a very flender ftem; the midrib is clofely pinnated on both fides, and the bafe naked.

Pennatula Sagitta. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 53. tab. 20. fig. 16. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1322.

This very fmall animal, according to Dr. Linnæus, is found flicking in the fish, called by him Lophius Histrio, having its stem pierced into their fides.

The figure in the Philosophical Transactions is copied from Linnæus's Amœnitates, Vol. 4. tab. 3. fig. 13. having never seen it myself. For my own part, I am doubtful whether it belongs to this genus.

7. Pennatula

7. PennatulaCynomorion.

The Finger Sea-Pen.

Pennatula stirpe brevi rugosa acuta, rachi crassa cylindrica granulosa undique polypifera.

This Sea-Pen has a fhort, rough, ftriated and pointed ftem; the midrib is cylindrical and flefhy, with its fkin like fhagreen, producing polype fuckers all round it.

Malum infanum marinum. Rondel. pifc. 2. pag. 130. The Finger-shaped Sea-Pen. Phil. Trans. Vol. 53. tab. 21. fig. 3. 4. 5.

Alcyonium Epipetrum. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1294.

Since I have defcribed this Sea-Pen in the Philosophical Transactions, it has been mentioned by some curious perfons that have wrote on natural history, that this Sea-Pen had no bone in it; but being so fortunate, by the friendship of Thomas Pennant, Esq. F. R. S. as to have two specimens, Dr. Solander, in order to be fatisfied of the truth of the affertion, defired to diffect one of them, in which we found a bone, as in the others.

8. Pennatula reniformis.

Pennatula *reniformis*, T

stirpe lumbrici facie, altero latere polypifera. This Sea-Pen has its upper part fhaped like a kidney, and its ftem like a worm; one fide of the upper part of it is full of polype fuckers.

The Kidney-shaped Sea-Pen.

The Kidney-shaped purple Sea-Pen. Phil. Trans. Vol. 53. tab. 19. fig. 6—10.

This beautiful purple Sea-Pen was found on the coaft of South Carolina, by John Greg, Efq. of Dominica. K It It is remarkably different from all this kind. From the ftiffnefs of its ftem, it is very probable, it is fupported by a bony fubftance. The under fide of its kidney-fhaped body is flat and full of ramifications, which correfpond with the polype mouths on the upper fide, which is a little convex: there are but fix claws to each polype fucker, which proceed from hexangular cells. Dr. Solander, in his letter to me from Rio Janeiro, on the coaft of Brazil, mentions, that whenever the fifhermen brought them any fhrimps, they were fure to find three or four of thefe among them.

TAB. 8. 9. Pennatula argentea. FIG.1.2.

> Pennatula lanceolata pennæ facie, stirpe lævi tereti, pinnis creberrimis imbricatis dentatis virgatis.

The Silver Sea-Pen.

This Sea-Pen has much the appearance of a writing pen; it is of a long fpear fhape, with a round fmooth ftem; the upper part is very close fet with fins, which lie one upon the other; they are dentated and ftriped.

TAB. 8. FIG. 1. 2. 3.

This curious animal was brought from Batavia by William Webber, Efq. F. R. S. Its fins are not unlike those of a bat, with feveral fharp points. They are ftriped black and white, with a fhining furface, not unlike filver: they are often found above a foot long, and are faid to be very luminous in the fea at night. There is one of them in the British Museum near eighteen inches long.

In the figure here reprefented, the bone appears to be burft through the bottom, and one of the fins are magnified, to fhew it more diffinctly.

10. Pennatula

10. Pennatula Encrinus.

Pennatula stirpe quadrangulari attenuata longissima osse membrana callosa vestita, polypis oviparis apice in umbellam congestis.

Great cluster Sea-Polype.

This Sea-Pen has a very long, fquare, bony ftem, which grows very fmall towards the top, and is covered with a callous membrane : it fends forth from the top, in form of an umbell, a clufter of polypes, from whence the eggs or fpawn is produced.

Cluster-Polype. Ellis Phil. Tranf. Vol. 4.8. pag. 305. tab. 12. Corallin. pag. 96. tab. 37.

Vorticella Encrinus. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1317.

The ingenious Dr. Bohadsch, of Prague, has very properly placed this curious animal among the Sea-Pens.

The twifting of the bone in the flem feems to be an accident, and not the character of the animal.

VIII. GORGONIA.

Animal crescens plantæ facie.

Os (five fulcrum) variat confistentià in diversis speciebus, et est vel coriaceum, suberosum, lignosum, corneum, ossen, testaceum, fibris vitreis contextum vel lapideum; stri-

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Is an animal that grows with the appearance of a plant.

The bone, or inward fupport, varies in different fpecies in its confiftence, and is either like leather, cork, wood, horn, bone, fhell, made of glaffy fibres, or like ftone; it is ftriated, grows fmaller at K 2 atum, atum, attenuatum bafique explanatum, teEtum carne molliori vafculofa et cellulofa (fed exficcata, confiftentiá spongiosa et friabili;)

Ofculis polypiferis nutrimentum forbentibus, oviparisque, instructum. the ends, as it rifes upwards, and fpreads out at the bafe. This bony or hard part is covered with a foftifh flefh, full of fmall veffels and cells, which, when dry, becomes of a fpongy and friable confiftence.

These cells are furnished with little mouths, out of which the polypes extend, themselves to procure nourishment, and fend forth their spawn.

This genus of Zoophytes, being the moft remarkable for its fize, as well as the variety in the confiftence of its internal hard part in feveral different fpecies, it becomes more neceffary to be particular in explaining how the growth and ftructure of it departs from that of vegetables; efpecially as the generality of mankind are ftrongly prepoffeffed, from their external ramified appearance and other circumftances, that they are really true marine vegetable fhrubs; others, that they are of a mixt nature, between animals and vegetables.

In my Effay on Corallines, I have called this genus by the name of Keratophyton; but as the name of Gorgonia, from Pliny, has been fubfituted by the celebrated Linnæus inftead of it, I fhall adopt it accordingly.

My former defcription of this animal, Effay on Corallines, pag. 59. was taken from dried fpecimens, and was as well as their fhrivelled and friable fituation would admit. Since that time, I have had frequent opportunities ties of examining many species perfectly well preferved, which I had defired might be immerfed in spirits the inflant they were taken out of the fea: by this means, I became posses of many curious ones, both from the Mediterranean and West-India feas. So that what formerly appeared to me to be a friable calcareous matter, I now find to be a real fleshy substance; and that the internal hard part is of the fame use to these animals, as bones are to other animals, that are cloathed with flesh. Such of these animals as were carefully preferved in spirits, appeared as if they were alive, with their polype-like suckers extended in the action of catching their food, and afforded me great pleasure to be able to examine them with fome exactness.

I first diffected them longitudinally, and perceived that their flesh was furnished with an infinite number of minute muscles and tendons, contrived in such a manner, that, at the will of these animals, they might extend the openings of their cells on the outward surface, in order to fend forth their polype-like suckers, to stretch out their arms in fearch of food, or contract the same openings suddenly, the instant the polype suckers were drawn back into their cells, the better to secure these tender parts from external injury.

Proceeding thus far, I was led on to obferve, what kind of communication there was between the fuckers and the bone of the animal; for this end I examined feveral fpecimens, both dry, as well as those that were preferved in fpirits, with good magnifying glaffes, and could diffinctly trace an infinite number of minute winding canals, that lead from the fuckers through the flesh into those parallel longitudinal tubes, which closely furround the bone or folid part on all fides; perhaps these may not improperly be be called the perioftium; for all along that fide of those tubes by which they adhere to the bony part, I could discover the pores very plainly from whence the juices flow, that supply it with proper materials to answer this great end. It is to these longitudinal tubes, that the bony parts of these animals owe their striated or channelled appearance, when they are stript of their flesh, particularly the red Coral, the verticillated Sea-Feather, and many others; but more remarkably in their kindred genus the Iss, particularly that species, called the Iss Hippuris, or black and white jointed Coral, as I shall shew hereafter.

I fhall now proceed to relate the feveral obfervations that I have made on them, from time to time, and endeavour to anfwer the arguments that have been advanced by late writers to prove their being of a mixt nature; that is, that they are animals, vegetating in the manner of plants with flowers, bark, and wood. As to their first beginning, these animals produce their eggs through their polype-like mouths, as I have shewn in the diffection of the Alcyonium manus marina; Phil. Tranf. Vol. 53. tab. 20. fig. 11.

In all the fpecimens which I have received preferved in fpirits, I have found eggs; but after thefe eggs are produced, the manner of their first growing has only been obferved by Donati, (fee Phil. Tranf. Vol. 47. pag. 104. tab. 3. fig. H I K L) who examined them alive at the feafide. He fays,

"Whilft the firft cellule is fhut up, or the egg of the Coral is in its fubftance, we do not find any one hard part in it like bone or marble; it is all foft: but afterwards, when the cellule opens, we begin to obferve fome hard lamellæ; and when it is grown bigger, " and " and arrive at the height of about a line and a half (the eighth part of an inch) it widens at bottom and at the top, and grows narrower in the middle, affuming the proper confiftence and hardnefs of coral; and as this grows, the polypi are multiplied, and new branches of coral are formed." So that we fee, as foon as the Polype from the eggftate extends itfelf, and draws in nourifhment, its hard part, or bone, appears even before it is one-eighth of an inch high.

The ftems then of these animals, when they first grow up, are always full of cells with their polypes, even down to the base; but as they advance towards their full fize, inftead of fo many polype mouths (in fome particular fpecies) we find the fleshy part of the trunk and base composed of organs full of parallel connected tubes; these fpread themfelves downwards, over rocks or fhells in various directions, drawing nourishment from the polype mouths above, to fecure the animal more firmly in its ftation; for from under these tubes, as in the stem, proceeds and is formed a hard or bony part, which adheres most strongly to the rocks, &c. and enables the animal to refift the violence of the waves. As the tubes on the bafe confift of the fame flefhy organical parts with those of the stem and branches, they must undoubtedly receive their fupply of animal juices from the nourishment drawn in by the polype mouths above them : this will appear clear to us, when we confider they are real Polypes, only with the addition of a bony part: and it is well known in experiments made on the Hydra, or fresh-water Polype, when it has many heads, that if one of them only is fed, all the reft will receive nourifhment, and grow; that is, new heads will arife from the fides, and there will be a circulation of vital juices through the whole to the bafe, which 3

which circulation is not fo eafily demonstrated in vegetables.

From these connected radical and fleshy tubes belonging to the base of the Gorgonia, many young stems of the fame species frequently rife, which are surrounded with little mouths; so that when we confider them to be a kind of Polype, we shall not be surprized at this manner of increase, no more than we are at present at the clustered Animal Flower, or Actinia sociata, described in the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 57. tab. 19. where the young ones are produced from the adhering fleshy tube, that proceeds from the base of the old ones.

Befides, if we confider them to have the fame properties with the Hydra,' or fresh-water Polypes, which repeated experiments prove to us are fo foon reproduced, after they are either cut in pieces or maimed, we shall not be fo much amazed, when we meet with inftances of the flesh of the trunk and ftem of the Gorgonia, which by fome accident has mortified, and the furface of its bone become rotten, and now the receptacle of many kinds of extraneous marine animalcula, and yet find the branches at top with all their mouths alive and in vigour. This bony part fo decayed now grows no more than the shell of the oyster, when the fish is dead. It becomes only a basis during the time it has strength left to support the living part above, as the shell or rock that supports them both below. But it often happens that the living part above grows downwards, by pushing forth connected radical tubes and polype mouths on the dead part, as it would on a rock, or any other firm bafis, to fecure itfelf the better, forming at the fame time a new layer of bone, or hard part, on the decayed flesh; and this is the reason why in making cross fections of some of the stems of the larger

larger Gorgonias, we frequently meet with layers of calcareous matter inclofed between the circles, which is evidently nothing elfe but the decayed flefh of the animal, which has been covered and inclofed by the fubfequent growth of the fame animal. This is totally different from any thing that we know of in the growth of trees.

To explain the difference between the concentric circles in a crofs fection of the horny part of a Gorgonia, and those of wood, I have given in plate 2. fig. 6. 7. a figure of a crofs and upright fection of a piece of wood (lignum fantalum) magnified to shew the utricular vessels, that interweave the upright longitudinal vessels, proceeding horizontally from the pith in the center through all the circles to the bark on the outfide. In the same plate, at fig. 2. 3. is a horizontal fection of a Gorgonia ceratophyta, where the several waved laminæ are seven adhering together, but no appearance of crofs fibres.

Dr. Donati, who was remarkably careful in examining the Red Coral, or Gorgonia pretiofa, tells us in the Philofophical Transactions, Vol. 47. pag. 97. "That he has "observed transverse fections of some pieces of this Co-"ral, which exhibit different lines, or annual bands, "whereof one part is of a rose color, others yellowish, "others white, and others more or less charged with co-"lor, which form concentric circles like the coats of an "onion."

It is evident from hence, that there can be no circulation of juices, or the colors would have been the fame. It is not improbable that those different colors may be owing to the difference of food at particular feasons; for we know that those animals with polype-like mouths on their fleshy outfides have their appointed feasons of growing, which happen when they find more plenty of food L at one time of the year than another, and in proportion to a certain temperature of the air, like other fixt animals; for inftance, oyfters, which we obferve at certain feafons producing a new fhelly ftratum, or layer, next to the flefh in the infide of their upper and under fhell: indeed, in many of the Gorgonias their feveral layers of hard parts, or bone, are very like those of fhells both in their confistence and polished fhining quality. This is remarkable in the Gorgonia verticillata. See Tab. 2. fig. 4. where there is a small trunk of its natural fize, and the top of it magnified at fig. 5. to shew the shelllike disposition of the laminæ.

As I have endeavoured to prove that there is no communication between the circles in the bony part of the Gorgonia, fo it is evident there is none between the laminæ or layers of the oyfter-fhell; becaufe we often find them bored all over by fea infects, and yet if the innermost lamina next to the fish is found, the animal is found to be in perfect health and vigorous, as I have often experienced.

But perhaps the formation of the bony part of the Gorgonia, and the nature of the connection of the different circles of laminæ, of which they are composed, may be more naturally and fatisfactorily illustrated by examining the bony part of the Pennatulas, or Sea-Pens, a genus of Zoophytes not far removed from the Gorgonias, on account of their polype mouths, as well as having a bone in the infide, and flesh without. One of the chief differences is, that as the Gorgonias are always fixt, there is a neceffity, that in order to keep them firm in their places they should be spread out at the base, both in the bony as well as fleshy parts; whereas the Pennatula, or Sea-Pen, which is made for swimming about in the fea, has its bone bone formed fmall at the bafe, and the flefh thicker, yet tapering to the end. The Pennatula Encrinus, which I had defcribed fome years ago under the title of Hydra arclica, or Great Greenland Polype (fee Effay on Corall. tab. 37. and Phil. Tranf. Vol. 48. tab. 12. pag. 305.) will illustrate the nature of the bony part of thefe animals, where at fig. H. a crofs fection of the bone magnified reprefents the different laminæ, fhewing the manner of their increase in proportion to the growth of the animal and the fquare form of the bone.

There is fomething amazing in the manner that the Gorgonias take to fix themfelves to rocks and other hard bodies in the fea, to be able to withftand the impetuofity of the waves. This wonderful contrivance of Nature is certainly inftinct in this low order of animals. How pleafing it is to view the various turns and windings of the beautiful, thin, fpread, fcarlet bafe, formed by the bone and flefh of the Gorgonia pretiofa, or common Red Coral.

In the Philofophical Transactions, Vol. 50. tab. 34. fig. 10. is the figure of a remarkable groupe of Red Barnacles, called the Tulip Barnacle, covered partly with the base of a G. pretiofa, or Red Coral. This red appearance of the Barnacles fuggested to me, when I wrote that Memoir, that the fine red tint of the Coral might have been communicated to the Barnacles, as they both grew together. This rare specimen is in the curious cabinet of Dr. J. Fothergill, F. R. S.

Every good collection of Red Coral from the Mediterranean is full of examples, where not only Barnacles and Wormschells, but even small branches of the white Madrepores are totally covered over with the bone or hard part of the Red Coral.

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I have made an obfervation before on the caufe why the circles of calcareous matter are now and then to be found in the horizontal fections of the ftems and trunks of the horny Gorgonias. I fhall now give another example in what manner this may happen, to confirm what I have faid before.

Let us examine fig. 1. pl. 2. and we shall observe diffinctly the bone of one Gorgonia inclosing, and formed over that of another of the fame kind. The Tree Oyfters and Wormshell at A. had certainly fixt to the first or innermost branch, so that this mass of shells appears to have killed its flefhy part. The fucceeding Gorgonia fpreading itself over and round the first, extends itself likewife over a great part of the shells, and when it had almost reached the ends of the branches of the first, it was torn off and thrown on fhore, in which bare fituation, divested of its flesh, I received it from the West This fhews us plainly how the calcareous matter Indies. or dead flesh of the one may be inclosed by the bone of the other, and form those loose calcareous circles which we so often meet with in cross sections of these bodies.

If then the bark of the Gorgonias is infifted on to be fimilar to the bark of trees, this queftion will naturally arife: Is it the nature of trees to inclose their outward bark, fo that their rough bark may be diftinguished fome years after among their regular annual circles, when the tree is cut horizontally? This I believe has fcarce been feen by the most diligent investigator of nature.

In my Effay on Corallines, pag. 61. tab. 26. I have given an account of the fingular growth of the Gorgonia Flabellum. This account was introduced there to fhew that the friable calcareous part was not formed of accidental infects, fuch as might and do infeft fea-plants; but but that it belonged to, and fabricated, or rather produced, the horny part of the animal, as being both one and the fame body. At that time one could not fo clearly, for want of recent well-preferved fpecimens, judge exactly whether thefe bodies were composed of one or many animals. However, according to later observations, this specimen clearly shews, that the animal Gorgonia has with its tubes and mouths, in order to strengthen and repair the broken part at B and D, covered over the fide reticulated part with a new layer of flesh and bone, continuing it in a femicircular form, thereby strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthening and connecting the upper and under parts of the strengthen and st

On the upper part of the fame Gorgonia, at C. is ftill a more remarkable inftance of the growth of thefe animals. Here the animal having met with fome interruption in its growth, probably from fome impending rock, it evidently has grown downwards, and fpread over its own reticulated branches, fo as to have covered all their openings.

Who would expect, on the ftricteft view of the Gorgonia, to find it cloathed with fcales of different forms? and yet the cafe is fo. Examine the mouths of the G. Placomus and the G. muricata, and fee how well they are defended by glaffy fpiculæ ranged in order. View the G. exferta and the G. verticillata, thefe we fhall find to have remarkable fcales; but the G. lepadifera exceeds all the reft in having its mouths fortified by fcales of various fizes and fhapes, well adapted to protect thefe tender parts. When we examine with the microfcope the fcales that cover their other flefhy parts, we find them ftill of a different fhape, fo that we are induced to think, from thefe these observations, that the figures of their scales are adapted by nature to suit particular parts, as they are in fnakes, lizards, and fish.

Befides the application of thefe fcales, or vitreous corpufcles, to the ufe of an outward covering, Nature feems to have adapted fome kinds of them to the forming the harder parts within, as for inftance in the red Coral, where, upon magnifying the flefhy part that was preferved in fpirits, I found it full of thefe vitreous red corpufcles, reprefented highly magnified at fig. A. tab. 35. Effay on Corallines ; but thefe were folid, and not hollow, as I took them to be at that time. This hint I received from Dr. Donati, who obferves, that the corpufcles, which we find in the flefh of Red Coral, compofe the hard part of it ; being depofited on it by means of a pellicle full of minute veffels that lies upon it, which contain a whitifh juice. See Phil. Tranf. Vol. 47. p. 99.

In the Gorgonia Briareus the hard part, or bone, is composed of beautiful purple glasfy spiculæ, lying lengthways almost parallel to each other, and united into a folid mass; and if we examine the fleshy part, we shall find the fame kind of fpiculælying irregularly and thinly difperfed through the foft fubstance of it, most probably for the fame purpose as in the Red Coral. The figures of these corpuscles, when magnified, are not unlike caterpillars with many feet; fee Pl. 14. fig. 2. As the Gorgonias, whose hard parts are like wood, horn, or stone, deposit or produce a fimilar substance (which is their bone) when they fpread their bafes on rocks and fhells; fo this G. Briareus deposits a layer under its flesh, confifting of these vitreous purple spiculæ, which prove it evidently to belong to this genus of Gorgonia, and not to the Alcyonium, which contains no hard or bony parts.

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The last thing which I shall offer against their growing like vegetables, is the fituation and growth of the medulla, which is observed in some particular species of these animals. This, had it been fimilar to the pith in the young branches of trees, would have been a very ftrong argument in favour of their partaking of a vegetable nature : but the cafe is otherwife. For inftance, let a young branch of a Gorgonia ceratophyta be diffected longitudinally, fo as to fhew the courfe of the medulla in the leading branch, as well as the fide branches, tab. 9. fig. 5. 6. Divide, at the fame time, and in the fame manner, a young fprig of any common tree, 'a lime-tree, for instance, fig. 7. 8. In the lime-tree we shall observe a free communication of the pith between the leading branch and the fide branches; but in the Gorgonia the pith or medulla of the leading branch has no communication in the least with the fide branches. The primary branch being furrounded with a horny tube to the extremity, and when it is longitudinally diffected, we plainly difcover the feptum, that is, the continued fide of the tube, which prevents any communication. The branches here arife on the fide of the leading branch, each forming or producing a medulla proper to itfelf, without any communication with the medulla of the primary branch. It is exactly the fame in the genus of Antipathes. The medulla in these species of Gorgonias confists of certain white membranes, placed at distances nearly equal to their diameter, croffing the little tube that contains them, like fo many diaphragms; whereas the medulla of young branches of trees confifts of fpongy shining globules, closely compacted together.

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TAB. 10. 1. GorgoniaUmbraculum.

Gorgonia flabelliformis fubreticulata, ramis creberrimis teretibus divergentibus, carne rubra verrucofa obductis. The Screen-like Gorgon.

This Gorgon appears to be reticulated, and is fhaped like a fan; it has many round diverging branches, covered with a reddifh flefh, full of little warts or mouths.

TAB. 10.

This little Sea-Fan is of a reddifh brick color. It fends forth two or three thick branches from its fhort ftem, which arifes from a broad bafe. Thefe branches fupport many long flender ones, all tending to the circumference; thefe are united here and there by little fide branches, forming together a kind of net.

It was brought from Batavia by William Webber, Efq. F. R. S.

TAB.11. 2. Gorgonia flammea.

Gorgonia compressa ramosa subpinnata, osse complanato corneo, carne miniata, osculis creberrimis parvis notata.

The fiery Red Gorgon.

This Gorgon grows very flat, and branches out; fome of the branches are pinnated. The bone, or inner part of it, is of a horny texture, and very much compreffed; this is covered over with a fcarlet flefh, full of fmall mouths.

Тав. 11.

This fpecies of Sea-Feather is brought to us by the East-India ships from the Cape of Good Hope, and is the

the brightest colored of all this genus, not unlike fire; but the flesh as it becomes dry is apt to fall from the bone; the main stems grow up a little, waving as they tend towards the tops. The mouths are oblong; they are larger and fewer on the main stems, than on the stem field branches, where they are in great abundance.

3. Gorgonia juncea.

Gorgonia fimplicisfima teres utrinque attenuata, osfe corneo fusco, carne ochracea bisulcata, osculis crebris linearibus notata.

Rush-like Gorgon.

This Gorgon has a fingle round ftem, fmaller at each end. The bone is of a darkcolored horny confiftence; this is covered with an orangecolored flesh, full of longish little mouths.

This orange-colored Sea-Whip was found by Mr. Greg in the new ceded iflands, growing on a fhell, and is very flexible when alive, and about three feet long. There are two fmall furrows, one on each fide, which are continued the whole length of the animal: thefe are the tubes, funk in, with which the fuckers and mouths did communicate, when the animal was alive.

4. Gorgonia ceratophyta.

Gorgonia dichotoma, axillis divaricatis, ramis virgatis ascendentibus bisulcatis, carne purpurea, polypis niveis octotentaculatis distiche sparsis, osse atro corneo suffulta.

Horned Gorgonia.

TAB.12. Fig. 2.

This Gorgon grows in a fub-3. divided manner; the branches ftand afunder, and grow erect, like twigs. Thefe have two furrows on them; their flefh is of a purple color, and their polypes fnow white, having M eight

eight claws each. They are placed in irregular rows on each fide. It is fupported by a black horny bone.

TAB. 12. FIG. 2. 3.

This Sea-Shrub grows a foot high, and makes a most beautiful appearance with its bright purple flesh and white polypes. It was taken up alive, and immersed in spirits by John Greg, Esq. of Dominica, and sent in this state to the Earl of Hillsborough, who did me the honor to present it to me.

TAB.12. 5. Gorgonia viminalis. FIG. 1.

> Gorgonia ramis fubteretibus divaricatis setaceis sparsis erectis, carne flava, polypis albis octotentaculatis distichis.

Spanish Broom Gorgon.

This Gorgon has loofe, roundifh, flender, and erect branches, with yellow flefh, and polypes with eight claws in rows on both fides.

TAB. 12. FIG. 1.

This flender Sea-fhrub-like animal was found near the harbour of Charleftown, in South-Carolina, by J. Greg, Efq. who fent it to me preferved in fpirits about the year 1762. It grows about a foot high or more; the bone is of a black horny texture.

6. Gorgonia muricata.

Gorgonia compressa ramosa dichotoma, carne crassa subalbida, osculis cylindricis arrectis muricaSea Hedge-Hog Gorgon.

This Gorgon has compressed fubdivided branches, covered with a firm whitish flesh, full of cylindrical little mouths, *tis*,

tis, offe ancipiti corneo nigricante.

which ftand erect, and are defended by ftony fpiculæ, or fpines. The bony part is flattifh, with two edges, of a horny nature and blackifh color.

This is very common all about the American islands in the Weft Indies. The polypes have eight claws, and are protected by these spines. This is one of Mr. Greg's collection; and upon diffecting it, I first discovered the spawn, which confists of round white eggs, like those deferibed in the Alcyonium digitatum, or Dead Man's Toes, and when it is sent forth, it passes through the polypes as it does in the Alcyonium.

7. Gorgonia verticillaris.

Gorgonia teres pinnata ramofa, ramulis alternis parallelis, ofculis verticillatis incurvatis, carne fquamulis albidis vitreis obteEtá, offe elaminis fubtestaceis nitidis composito.

Sardinian White Gorgon.

This Gorgon has round pinnated branches; the little fide branches are alternate and parallel, with mouths bending inwards, and placed in whirls about the ftem and branches. The flefh is covered with little white glaffy fcales, and the bone is composed of layers of a fhining pearl-colored fhelly fubftance.

Sea-Feather. Ellis Corallin. pag. 60. tab. 26. frg. S. T. V. Gorgonia verticillaris. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1289. M 2 This This fpecies of Sea-Feather exceeds all the reft of this genus both in neatnefs and elegance of form. It is found near Sardinia, in the Mediterranean Sea, and grows to two and three feet high. The flefh is full of parallel tubes, that grow close round the bone. In the younger branches the bone is very brittle, and of a pale yellow color; as the number of layers increase, the furface of each layer has a shining pearl-like look, very like some kind of sea-shells. See plate 2. fig. 4. 5.

TAB. 13. 8. Gorgonia lepadifera. FIG. 1.

Gorgonia dichotoma, ofculis confertis reflexis campanulatis imbricatis, carne fquamulis albis obducta, offe in ramulis majoribus testaceo, in minoribus corneo.

Barnacle-bearing Gorgon.

This Gorgon is dichotomous: it is almost covered with mouths, which are placed close together, hanging over one another; they are bellshaped, bent downwards, and full of small scales. The flesh is covered with minute whitish fcales. The bone in the larger branches is testaceous, or rather like bone, and in the fmaller ones horny.

TAB. 13. FIG. 1. 2.

Planta marina Refedæ facie. Clufii Exot. p. 122. Gorgonia lepadifera. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1289.

This Gorgonia is found on the coaft of Norway: the fpecimen figured here was brought from Archangel, and prefented to me by Dr. Solander.

This very curious animal rifes ufually to eighteen inches high. The heads and mouths bend downwards, 1 and

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and have the appearance of fome species of Barnacles; they are covered with white scales of different fizes, placed one over the other. The opening of each mouth is furrounded by eight little pointed valves or fcales, which close together in the dried specimens. If we compare the scales of the Coluber Cerastes (of which there is a most elegant figure in the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 56. tab. 14.) we shall observe fomething similar in the scales on the mouth of that animal, to those on this Gorgonia, but varying in fhape according to the form of their mouths: we may likewife fee what a variety of shapes the scales are of on the rest of the body of this viper, to fuit the various turnings and twiftings of this active animal: in this Gorgonia, which is a fixt animal, the fcales on the stem and branches, which do not move, are much of one form, differing greatly from those on the heads, which are always in motion, while the animal is alive and catching its food.

9. Gorgonia pectinata.

Gorgonia teres, ramulis fecundis parallelis afcendentibus, carne rubra, ofculis creberrimis rotundis prominulis, offe duro albo fragili.

The Comb-like Gorgon.

This Gorgon is round; its fmall branches come out parallel, and only on one fide, and grow erect. The flefh is reddifh; the mouths are round, numerous, and project a little. The bone is white within, hard and brittle.

Seb. muf. 3. tab. 105. fig. 1. a. Gorgonia pectinata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1292. This This curious Sea-Feather has been lately introduced from the Eaft Indies. There is an elegant fpecimen of it in the British Museum, lately prefented by Lord Pigot. In the fpecimen which I have, there are little mouths on all the branches down to the base : those on the larger branches are much bigger, and project more, than those on the erect small branches.

10. Gorgonia Placomus.

Gorgonia plana dichotoma, ramis flexuofis rarius anastomofantibus, ofculis conicis fetaceis eminentibus, offe fubstantia fere lignofa.

Great Norway Gorgon.

This Gorgon has its branches difpofed in a dichotomous order and a flattifh form; they bend irregularly towards one another, but rarely unite. Their mouths are conical, project, and are furrounded at top by little fpines. The bone or fupport is nearly of the fubftance of wood.

Warted Sea-Fan. Ellis Corallin. pag. 67. tab. 27. fig. a. A. A I. A 2. A 3.

Gorgonia Placomus. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1290.

This Sea-Fan is of a reddifh brown color; it grows on the coaft of Norway, to a very large fize, feveral feet high; it is now and then found on the coaft of Great-Britain. There is a good fpecimen of it in the Britifh Mufeum, which was fent to me from Stavanger, in Norway, in the year 1755. I have two varieties of this fpecies from the Eaft Indies; one very fmall, three inches long, with its flefh and mouths covered with reddifh glaffy fpines; the other of a cinereous color, with its internal part very like the the confiftence of leather; this is about five inches high.

11. Gorgonia pinnata.

West-India pinnated Gorgon. TAB.14. FIG. 3.

Gorgonia ramofa pinnata, ramulis suboppositis compressis, osculis polypiferis in marginibus seriatim dispositis, carne albido-flavescente intus purpurascente, osse corneo. This Gorgon is branched and pinnated; the fmall branches are comprefied and nearly opfite. The polype fuckers come out of the mouths in regular rows on each margin. The flefh is yellowifh, with fome appearance of purple on the infide. The bone is horny.

TAB. 14. FIG. 3.

This elegant Sea-Feather is very common in the Weft Indies. It is often found of a fine purple color, at other times yellow. This fpecimen was fent in fpirits, with all the polype fuckers extended, by Mr. Greg, who was very attentive, in his collecting them, to fhew in what manner they appeared alive. It is often confounded by authors with the G. fetofa of Linnæus, or Sea-Feather of Sir Hans Sloane.

12. Gorgonia exferta.

Gorgonia teres sparse ramosa, ramulis alternis, osculis octovalvulis alternis, polypis octotentaculatis exsertis, carne squamulis albis vestita, osfe subfusco corneo. Bareheaded Gorgon.

Tab.15... Fig. 1.

ThisGorgon is round, thinly 2. branched, and the branches alternate. The mouths, or cells, are placed alternately; thefe have eight valves, and the polypes have as many claws, and appear on the outfide

fide of the cells. The flefhy part is covered with very minute white fcales. The bone is of a dark-color, and horny.

TAB. 15. FIG. 1. 2.

This elegant Sea-Shrub is about two feet high, very loofely branched, with long flender white branches. The fuckers flanding out uncovered, when dry, occafioned my calling it the Bareheaded Gorgon.

It was brought from the Weft Indies, and is at prefent in the fuperb cabinet of her Grace the Dutchefs Dowager of Portland, who was fo obliging as to give me the fpecimen reprefented in the plate, where one of the cells and the polype is magnified.

TAB.15. 13. Gorgonia patula. FIG. 3. Gorgonia compressa tor-

corneo.

tuose ramosa subpinnata

ruberrima, osculis distichis

fubrotundis halone fubalbido inclusis, offe fubfusco

· Flat Gorgon.

This flat Gorgon has branches growing waved and partly pinnated; it is of a very bright red color. It has two rows on each fide of little round mouths, included in whitifh circles. The bone is of a darkifh color, and horny fubftance.

TAB. 15. FIG. 3.4.

This beautiful crimfon Sea-Feather was brought from the Mediterranean. The celebrated Donati fent me a piece of this fpecies, preferved in fpirits, with its polypes extended, which is expressed in the plate at fig. 4.

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14. Gorgonia verrucofa.

Warted Gorgon.

Gorgonia in plano ramofa flabelliformis, ramis teretibus flexuofis, ofculis prominulis papillofis albidis, offe tereti fubftantia lignofo-cornea.

This Gorgon grows with round irregular branches in a flat fan fhape. The mouths are like white prominent warts. The bony part is of a fubftance between wood and horn.

Phil. Tranf. Vol. 50. tab. 34. fig. 19. a. Gorgonia verrucofa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1291.

There are various fpecies of this warted Sea-Fan in the Weft Indies, the Mediterranean, and on the coaft of Cornwall. There are fome of them, whofe warts are more prominent and clofer together than others. This Sea-Fan, when dry, is of a dirty white or cinereous color. The fpecimen which I have quoted from the Philofophical Transactions, is incrusting the Lepas calceolus, or Slipper Barnacle.

15. Gorgonia anceps.

Gorgonia ramofa subdichotoma, carne depressaancipiti, marginibus ofculosis, osse subtereti attenuato substantia corneosubcoriacea.

Sea-Willow Gorgon.

This Gorgon is branched nearly in a fubdivided manner. The flefh is flat on each fide, with a row of little mouths along both the margins. The bone is roundifh, and fmall at the ends, of a horny nature, inclining to leather.

Sea-Willow. Ellis Corallin. pag. 68. tab. 27. fig. g. Gorgonia anceps. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1292. N Of this fea-fhrub there are feveral varieties. The largeft kind, which is figured in Sloane's H. Jam. is dichotomous; there are many of the fmaller kinds that are more diffufed in their manner of growing. When they are recent from the fea, they are of a fine violet color; but when we receive them, fome are yellow, others white. They are now and then found on the coaft of Great-Britain and Ireland; but not frequently.

TAB.13. 16. Gorgonia pretiofa. FIG. 3.

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Gorgonia in plano ramofa dichotoma fubattenuata, carne miniacea lubrica molli vafculofa, ofculis oEtovalvibus conicis fubbiantibus fparfis, polypos albidos oEtotentaculatos bifariam cirratos exferentibus, offe lapideo ruberrimo extus firiato et foveolato.

True Red Coral.

This Gorgon grows fpread flat, with dichotomous branches that leffen towards their extremities. The flesh is of the color of red lead, foft, flippery, and full of minute vef-The mouths are irregufels. larly placed on the furface, and rife up in a conical form, confifting of eight valves just opening, from whence proceed polypes of a white color with eight claws; each claw has a double row of fibres on both edges. The bone is ftony, and of the brighteft red, marked with minute furrows on the outfide, and with little hollow places here and there, that have corresponded with the cells.

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TAB. 13. FIG. 3. 4.

Red Coral. Ellis Corallin. pag. 93. tab. 35. fig. a. Isis nobilis. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1288.

The characters of this most valuable, as well as beautiful animal, have been fully defcribed by the celebrated Donati, in the Philosophical Transactions. He was fo kind as to fend me a fpecimen, with the polypes extended, preferved in spirits; it was from this, that I have had the figure drawn in tab. 13. fig. 4. In another specimen which he fent me I discovered the eggs, in diffecting the cells, which are fmall round bodies, as in the other Gorgonias.

Though.Dr. Linnæus has called this animal an Ifis, he informs me, that I have more properly ranged it among the Gorgonias. The genus of Ifis is fufficiently diftinguished by its joints, as I shall shew hereafter.

17. Gorgonia craffa.

Gorgonia teres dichotoma, ramis crassis virgatis divaricatis ascendentibus, carne violacea crassa, ofculis prominulis æquidi-Stantibus, polypos octotentaculatos marginibus cirratis exferentibus, offe subfusco corneo.

Flefby Gorgon.

This Gorgon is round and dichotomous, with long flefhy branches, which bend a little out, and then grow upright. The flesh is of a violet color, plump, and full of little rifing mouths, disposed on the furface near one another at equal diftances: these fend forth polypes with eight claws, that have fmall fibres on each fide. The bone is of a dark brown color, like horn.

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Lithophyton

Lithophyton Americanum, maximum, cinereum, cortice punctato. Act. Par. 1700. pag. 34. tab. 2. Hughes Hift. Barbadoes, tab. 27. fig. 1.

This Gorgon was fent by Mr. Greg, preferved in fpirits, to the Earl of Hillfborough.

The flefh is very thick, and the bone very finall at the extremities: in large old fpecimens the bone is very black, and like horn.

18. Gorgonia Flabellum.

Gorgonia reticulata, ramis interne compress, carne flava (interdum purpurea) osculis minutis sparsis, polypis oEtotentaculatis, osfe nigro corneo, in ramis majoribus tenuiter striato.

Venus's Fan.

This Gorgon grows in form of a net, with its branches comprefied inwardly. The flefh is yellow, fometimes purple, with fmall mouths, placed irregularly, having polypes with eight tentacles. The bone is black, horny, and flightly ftriated on the larger branches.

Flabellum Veneris. Ellis Corallin. pag. 61. tab. 26. fig. A.

Gorgonia Flabellum. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1293.

Both the trunk and branches of this Sea-Fan are pinnated, and by the means of the finall branches croffing each other and blending together, they compose this elegant reticulated form. Mr. Greg has likewise fent over many finall specimens of this Sea-Fan preferved in spirits, with the polypes extended, which have eight claws.

This elegant Sea-Fan is found principally in the American feas, where they grow to three and four feet high. They ~ They are likewife brought from the Mediterranean and the East-Indian seas.

19. Gorgonia fuberofa.

Gorgonia ramofa subdichotoma, ramis longioribus crassis teretibus ascendentibus, carne miniacea spongiosa, osculis substellatis in quincunces fere dispositis, osse pallide rubro suberojo.

Cork-like Gorgon.

This Gorgon is branched in a fubdivided manner, with very long upright, round, thick branches. The flefhy part is of the color of red lead, and fpongy; the mouths are like little ftars difpofed almoft in a quincunx order. The bone, or inward hard part, is of a pale red, and of the fubftance of cork.

Ellis Corallin. pag. 63. tab. 26. fig. P. Q. R.

This foft fpongy Coral-like Gorgon is evidently one of this genus, from the different hardnefs of the inner fubftance or bone of the animal, compared with the flefhy part on the furface; where the flefh is rubbed off the inner part, it is ftriated as in others of this genus. I have feen fpecimens of it eight or nine inches long. The branches are nearly cylindrical, growing a little flenderer towards the top: they are in thicknefs about the fize of a large goofe-quill; and are found on the coaft of South-Carolina and the Bahama Iflands.

20. Gorgonia Briareus.

Gorgonia subramosa teres crassa, basi supra The Gorgon Briareus. TAB.14. FIG. 1. This Gorgon rifes with very 2. few, thick, fucculent branches, rupes rupes late explanata, carne interne fubalbida externe cinerea, polypis majoribus octotentaculatis cirratis, offe ex aciculis vitreis purpureis inordinate fed longitudinaliter compactis composito. from a broad bafe that is fpread upon rocks. The flefh is of a whitifh color within, and a pale afh color without, furnifhed with large polypes, that have each eight fringed claws, and come out on the furface in a quincunx order. The bone, or hard inward part, confifts of a number of little purple, glaffy needles, irregularly but clofely put together lengthways.

TAB. 14. FIG. 1. 2.

This foft Coral has been reckoned by fome authors an Alcyonium. But having received many elegant fpecimens of it, well preferved in fpirits, from the Earl of Hillfborough, which were collected by Mr. Greg in the Weft Indies; they have afforded me an opportunity of placing it with its proper genus.

The firm purple glaffy infide appears fo diffinct from the pale white flefhy part on the outfide, that as foon as I had difcovered this, I did not hefitate to remove it to its proper genus : befides, the ftems being the largeft in diameter of all this genus clearly explain to us, what we are obliged in the other fpecies to make ufe of magnifying glaffes to difcover, particularly the various vefiels of the organical parts that ferve to extend and contract the polype-like fuckers, which fupply the animal with proper nourifhment for its fupport and further extenfion. One thing is remarkable in the more folid or bony part of this animal, that we may eafily diffinguifh certain certain fine yellow ramified fibres, or vessels, that are interwoven among the glaffy hard parts, analogous perhaps to fuch-like veffels in the harder and fofter parts of the bones of more perfect animals. Further, where the animal spreads its fleshy base on the rocks, we find the bony or vitreous purple part adhering to the rocks, as we do the horny or ftony hard parts in the base of the other Gorgonias.

21. Gorgonia calyculata.

Gorgonia dichotoma, ramulis crassis arrectis, papillis truncatis, carne cinerascente intus purpurea, osculis majoribus calyciformibus confertis sursum spectantibus, polypis octotentaculatis cirratis, offe subfusco corneo.

Cup-mouth Gorgon.

This Gorgon grows in a fubdivided order, having erect thick branches, with truncated papillæ. The flesh is ash-colored without, and purple on the infide, furnished with large cup-fhaped mouths, difposed close together in a quincunx order, and looking upwards, having polypes with eight fringed claws extending themfelves from them. The bone is of a dark brown color, and horny nature.

than any of the genus. fpirits by Mr. Greg.

This fea-shrub sends forth round white eggs, larger It was collected and preferved in

22. Gorgonia abietina.

Gorgonia ramosa pinnata, carne flava, osculis Fir-like Gorgon.

TAB.16.

This Gorgon is full of branches which are pinnated. purpureis,

purpureis distichis, corneo flavescente. offe The flefh is of a pale yellow color, with rows on both fides of purple mouths. The bone is horny and yellowifh.

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Plukenet amalth. tab. 452. fig. 3.

This beautiful Sea-Feather was fent me from Cape Coast Castle, in Africa.

It grows flat, about a foot high; the stem is often full of small barnacles, which it covers over. The old branches are irregular, but the young branches are pinnated, like the Sertularia abietina, or Sea-Fir vesicular Coralline.

23. Gorgonia elongata.

Gorgonia dichotoma divaricata, ramis longioribus ascendentibus, carne tetragona rubra crassa, osculis erectis secundum angulos subimbricatis, osse tenui corneo slavescente.

Forked Gorgon.

This Gorgon has long erect branches, which are fubdivided and divaricated. The flefh is of a vermillion color, very plump and fquare; the little mouths are placed along the corners; they are erect, and difpofed fomething like tiles by one another. The bone is of a horny confiftence, very flender, and of a yellowifh color.

Gorgonia elongata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1291. This fcarlet Sea-Shrub was brought from the Weft Indies. My fpecimen is about eighteen inches high. The flefh is full of little warts, with points looking upwards; 5 thefe
these are disposed in rows on the angles of the branches, and feem to bend one over the other.

IX. ANTIPATHES.

Animal crescens plantæ facie.

Stirps intus cornea, spinulis exiguis obsita, basi explanata, extus carne gelatinosa, verrucis polypiferis obducta.

Ovaria incerta, nisiovula ex polypis, sicut in Gorgoniis, Alcyoniis, Sc.

ANTIPATHES, commonly called Black Coral,

Is an animal growing in the shape of a plant.

The ftem is horny in the infide, befet with very fmall fpines, and fpread out at the bafe. The outfide is covered with a gelatinous flesh, full of warts, from whence the polypes extend themfelves.

The ovaries are uncertain, unless the little eggs proceed from the polypes, as in the Gorgonias, Alcyoniums, &c.

It appears from the old botanical writers, that the feveral forts of Black Corals were formerly called by the name of Antipathes; but as the characters of those marine bodies were not fo exactly looked into then, as they are now in this present inquisitive age, some of the Gorgonias, whose horny internal parts are black, were probably included amongft them.

That they were not only used as sceptres for princes, but likewife for divining rods, and other fuch purpofes, is clear from Salmasius's remarks to Solinus, wherein he fays, that Antipathes denotes fomething proper to refift incantations, and that they were used for that purpose by feveral

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feveral Indian nations. See Rumph. Herb. Amboin. Book xii. ch. z.

There is certainly a great affinity between the Antipathes and the Gorgonia; but yet there is fo much difference, as with great propriety to conftitute a new genus, and though the name is not new, yet it is well adapted. I he fpines in the bony part, and the gelatinous flefhy covering, diftinguish this genus remarkably.

That they are covered with polype heads, or fomething very like them, appears from examining in the microscope fome of the warts that covered a specimen of the Antipathes fpiralis, lately brought from the East Indies, and foaked for some time in warm water, from which in tab. 19. fig. 4. 5. the mouths and claws are exactly reprefented highly magnified. And it is much more probable, that they produce their eggs through those mouths, as the Gorgonia, Ifis and Alcyonium do, than from those imaginary ovaries that are feen fcattered here and there on fome fpecies, both on account of the irregularity of their fhapes, as well as their different fituations on the fame animal. Those figures being no more than the remains of the cover of fome extraneous bodies that have adhered to them, having myfelf feen and examined many of them. One of the arguments used, that these are ovaries, is, that the fubstance of the bony part of the ftem forms part of them; but the very fame fubftance, with all its fpines, likewife covers all the fmall kinds of Barnacles, and other foreign substances that adhere to them. If we examine the ovaries of the Sertularias, to which they are compared by fome, we shall foon be convinced that there is no fimilarity between them; in one, there is form and order; in the other, irregularity of fituation, and no certainty of fhape.

Count Marfigli, in his Histoire Physique de la Mer,

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has given us a figure of one of these Antipathes, tab. 40. fig. 179. No. 1. 2. 3. where there seems to be on the smallest branches regular rows of polype-like mouths, with two arms to each, fitting on little foot-stalks, as at A. A. No. 3. These the Count takes to be of the same substance and use as the flowers in the Coral : but we must wait for further information, before we can conclude any thing from his observations, as his figures are but rude.

Some people imagine the Antipathes grows like a vegetable; but they have not obferved, that when we break their ftems obliquely acrofs, we find the fpines regularly difpofed in the infide layers as well as the outfide, as I have expressed it in fig. 6. tab. 19; whereas, in trees and shrubs that are covered with spines, when we cut or break them obliquely acrofs, we have not yet been able to difcover the spines in the internal annual circles of the wood.

Another material argument has not been yet noticed, which is, that the medulla or pith-like fubftance of the larger branches has no communication with the medulla of the leffer branches, being always feparated by a feptum, or bony partition of the fame fubftance with the reft of the ftem. It is quite otherwife in trees and fhrubs; fo that though they have an outward vegetable form, their anatomy as well as chemical principles, is quite different.

> TAB. 19. Fig.1-6

1. Antipathes spiralis.

Spiral Antipathes.

Antipathes *fimpliciffima fpiralis fcabra*. Antipathes, or Black Coral, with a fingle twifted rough ftem.

TAB. 19. FIG. 1-6.

Gorgonia

Gorgonia Spiralis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1290.

There are feveral fizes of this extraordinary animal; one of them is of the thickness of a writing pen, and about two feet long; this has grown naturally into a knot, as if it was tied, and is curled and twisted very remarkably; see fig. 1. tab. 19. The fleshy part that covers the spiny surface of the bone is full of little gelatinous wart-like figures, as at fig. 2.

When we have foaked thefe warts for fome time in warm water, they appear to us not unlike fome polypes with fix claws furrounding a cup in the center, which probably is their mouth: thefe figures are differently magnified at fig. 3. 4. 5. This fpecimen fpreads itfelf with a broad bafe on a coral rock. The bone, or hard part, when broke obliquely, horizontally fhews that the internal as well as external layers are full of little fpines; fee fig. 6. It is of a hard horny black fhining fubftance, brittle almost as glafs.

I have another fpecimen not thicker at the bafe than the quill of a hen's feather; this is twifted fpirally, but loofely and tapering to a point: it is feven feet long, very black, full of fpines, and covered with a hardened thin gelatinous fubftance, and was found adhering by a broad bafe to a rock.

Both of these were lately brought from the East Indies; they are found in plenty about the spice islands.

TAB.19. 2. Antipathes Ulex. FIG. 7. 8. Antipathes ramofilium.

Furz-like Antipathes.

Antipathes ramofiffima, ramis sparsis patentibus bispidisfimis attenuatis.

This Antipathes is very much branched, with loofe, fpread, very rough, and pointed branches.

TAB. 19. FIG. 7. 8.

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This Antipathes is particularly full of finall flort fpines: the branches fland out loofe and irregular, and are remarkably black.

On this fpecimen, part of which is fhewn at fig. 7. 8. there are many of those irregular hollow figures, supposed to be ovaries, several of which lie along the branches, and then are turned up like horns inverted; others turn fideways, others downwards, all of them vary in their shape and direction, and are placed irregularly here and there on the branches; they are of a brownish yellow color, and appear to be a part of the spiny surface of the Antipathes. The same kind of covering is found on the little Barnacles and other little animals that infest them.

This was brought from Batavia, in the East Indies, by W. Webber, Efq. F. R. S.

3. Antipathes subpinnata.

Feathered Antipathes.

TAB.192 FIG. 9.

Antipathes ramofa pinnata bispida, pinnulis setaceis alternis; pinnulis aliis (sed raris) tranverse exeuntibus. This Antipathes is branched 10. and pinnated; the little pinnæ are full of fmall fpines, and difpofed alternately on the branches: and at right angles, oppofite to thefe, are a few other little pinnæ.

TAB. 19. FIG. 9. 10.

This fpecimen was brought from Gibraltar, and is fuppofed to be taken in the fea thereabouts. The fpines are long and fmall, and of an amber color when magnified : the furface of the Antipathes appears to be an afh color.

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TAB.19. FIG. 11. 12. Antipathes myriophylla.

Antipathes incurva ramosissima pinnata, pinnulis hinc ramosis setaceis.

Yarrow-like Antipathes.

This Antipathes is full of pinnated branches that bend downwards; thefe pinnated branches have other little fpiny branches on their upper fide.

TAB. 19. FIG. 11. 12.

The form of this Antipathes is very elegant, from the bending of its many pinnated branches downwards all round it, which gives it the appearance of a fine shady little tree. The spines are but short in this, in proportion to the last. The color is of a yellowish brown.

It was brought from Batavia, and was collected near the fpice islands.

5. Antipathes alopecuroides.

Antipathes ramofa, ramis arcte paniculatis hifpidis fetaceis.

Foxtail Antipathes.

This branched Antipathes has its young branches, which are full of fpines and fmall prickles, difpofed in clofe panicles.

The trunk of this Antipathes rifes from a broad fpread bafe, and divides immediately into feveral large branches of one-third of an inch diameter; as thefe rife up, one fide of them appears flat, with a groove or channel along the middle of it, where there are the remains of many little branches that have grown in rows on each fide of it. It then divides into branches, and often into other branches, all which are in form of close panicles, not unlike like the foxtail-grafs. These panicles are composed of very rough thorny minute branches, which are twice as long on one fide of the stem as the other. The outfide of this Antipathes is of greyish color; the infide is black and very brittle. It is near two feet high.

This was brought from South-Carolina, and prefented to Corbyn Morris, Efq. F. R. S. and has not before been defcribed.

6. Antipathes Cupressus.

Antipathes *fimplex fca*bra paniculata, ramis re- tl curvatis, fi Cypress Antipathes.

This Antipathes grows in the form of a fingle panicle, full of minute prickles, with the little branches bending upwards.

Gorgonia Abies. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1290.

Dr. Linnæus has claffed this elegant fea production under his genus of Gorgonias, to which it is very nearly allied; but the flefh of this tribe is fo remarkably gelatinous, and the whole bone, or hard part, is fo covered with fpines, which even are to be diftinguished in the interior laminæ, that there is fufficient reason for making it of another genus.

There is a most elegant specimen of this in the British Museum, and very good figures of it in Rumphius and Seba. It grows in the East-Indian ocean among the spice islands.

X. ISIS.

Animal crescens plantæ formå.

Stirps lapidea, articulata, articulis striis longitudinaliter exaratis, substantia spongiosa vel cornea connexis.

Caro mollior, porofa atque cellulofa,

Ofculis polypiferis, tentaculatis, oviparis obduEta.

ISIS, or JOINTED CORAL,

Is an animal growing in the form of a plant;

whofe ftem is ftony and jointed : the joints are furrowed longitudinally, and united together, in fome by a fpongy, in others by a horny fubftance.

It is covered over by a foft porous and cellular flesh,

full of little mouths, from whence the polypes with their claws come forth, through whom the eggs are produced.

This genus of Zoophytes is very nearly allied to the Gorgonias, having a hard part within, which is the fupport or bone of the animal, and a fofter part without, which is its flefh. This foft part is furnifhed with organs that ferve both for nutrition and generation. Thefe are its polype-like fuckers, which are contained in, and extend themfelves from its cells, when in fearch of food.

The difference between the Ifis and Gorgonia is this, that the bony part of the Ifis is jointed, which is not fo in the Gorgonia. Thefe joints are an admirable contrivance of Nature, to fecure the brittle branches of thefe animals from being torn to pieces. Without this, they could not arrive to the height of which fome of them are found, viz. of two or three feet : for by bending freely to and fro with thefe foft joints, they eafily refift the violent motions of the fea. When the animals grow old, their ftems have no more joints, that part being then ftrong ftrong enough to withstand the force of the waves. The fost geniculations then are only found in the stenderer parts of the branches.

1. Isis ochracea:

Ifis stirpe eroso-striata lapidea rubra dichotoma explanata ramosissima articulata, geniculis nodosis spongios fulvis, carne stavescente, osculis stellatis, polypos oElotentaculatos obducentibus.

Jointed Red Coral.

This If is has a ftony ftem, irregularly channelled, as if eaten into; the branches are many, dichotomous, and fpread out; the joints are connected by deep yellow fpongy knobs. The flefh is of a pale yellow, full of ftarry mouths, that cover polypes with eight claws.

Red Coral from the East Indies. Ellis Philof. Tranf. Vol. 50. pag. 189. tab. 3.

Is ochracea. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1287.

This beautiful Ifis is found in the East-Indian Ocean among the spice islands. It is fo very liable to fall to pieces, when dry, that good specimens of it are very rare. There is likewise a variety of it, whose story part and shefth are quite white; but the spongy geniculations are of a brownish yellow.

2. Isis Hippuris.

Ifis stirpe articulata lapidea, ramulis sparsis, offe articulis cylindricis lapideis albis sulcatis, internodiis corneis nigris constrictis Black and White jointed Goral. TAB. 3. FIG.I-5

This If is has a jointed ftony ftem, which rifes into many loofe branches. The bone or fupport of the animal confifts of white, cylindrical, ftony, P connexis, connexis, carne fubalbida porofa craffa, ofculis in quincunces dispositis, polypos oEtotentaculatos obtegentibus. channelled joints, connected together by black contracted horny intermediate ones. The flefh is whitifh, plump, and full of minute veffels; the furface of it is full of the little mouths of the cells, which are difpofed in a quincunx order, covering the polypes with eight claws.

TAB. 3. FIG. 1-5.

Isis Hippuris. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1287.

There are many varieties of this much admired Ifis. Some are dwarfifh, not above fix inches high; others, from a foot to two feet and more. In fome, the ftony joints are longer, and the black horny joints very fhort: in others, the black horny ones are longer, but always more contracted, as may be feen in the 84th table of the 6th vol. of Rumphius's Herb. Amboinenfe, where it is excellently defcribed.

In tab. 3. there are feveral fections of this Coral magnified, to fhew the manner in which the Polypes from their cells draw in their nourifhment, for the further extenfion and increase both of the bony as well as the fleshy part of the animal.

Fig. 2. is a longitudinal fection of the trunk of this Coral without joints appearing on the outfide; but in the middle of its infide is a fmall ramification, where both its horny and ftony parts are covered over with layers of the ftony part alone, which fhews its growth to be different from that of fhrubs. We likewife find that this Coral fpreads its bafe on rocks, by various turnings and 3

windings, both of its bony and flefhy part; and likewife, as it rifes, we find it inclosing shells and other extraneous fubstances, that flick to it, like the Gorgonias.

This beautiful Coral is often brought by our East-India ships from Prince's Island, in the Straits of Sunda, on the fouthern coaft of Sumatra. Specimens with the flefh on them are rarely to be met with, as the failors generally fcrape off the flesh to shew the beauty of the black and white joints.

3. Ifis coccinea.

Dwarf Scarlet Iss.

TAB.12. FIG. 5.

Ifis pumila varie ramofa, ramulis divaricatis, offe articulato lineari Jubstriato ruberrimo, internodiis brevibus Spongiofis fulvis, carne intus pallide rosea, extus cellulis elevatis verruciformibus coccineis, osculis minimis.

This little Ifis has its branches irregularly fpread. Its bone is jointed, flender, very red, and a little ftriated; the joints are united by fhort, fpongy, yellowifh geniculations. The flefh on the infide is of a pale rofe color; on the outfide it is covered with little rifing wart-like fcarlet cells, each having a little mouth.

TAB. 12. FIG. 5.

This Dwarf Isis differs from the Dichotomous Isis of the Cape, in being much fmaller, and irregular in its branches. Nothing can exceed the brightness of its scarlet color. It is about two or three inches high, and was collected on the coast of Mauritius, in the year 1767, and prefented to Dr. J. Fothergill, with many other rare fea productions, by the furgeon of an East-India ship that, put

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put in to refit there. At the fame time there was a variety of this species found that was perfectly white.

XI. CORALLINA.

Animal crescens habitu plantæ.

Stirps fixa, e tubis capillaribus per crustam calcaream porosam sese exserentibus, composita.

Rami sæpe articulati, semper ramulosi, vel divaricati, liberi vel conglutinati et connexi.

CORALLINE

Is an animal growing in the form of a plant;

whofe ftem is fixt to other bodies, and is composed of capillary tubes, whose extremities pass through a calcareous crust, and open into pores on the surface.

The branches are often jointed, and always fubdivided into fmaller branches; which are either loofe and unconnected, or joined as if they were glued together.

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This genus has been thought by fome late writers to belong entirely to the vegetable kingdom, and to differ but little from Fucus's and Conferva's : but as Dr. Linnæus obferves, in a note on this genus in his Syftem of Nature, p. 1304. "Corallinas ad regnum animale perti-" nere ex fubftantia earum calcarea conftat, cum omnem " calcem animalium effe productum veriffimum fit." Or, that all calcareous fubftances are most truly of animal production; therefore that Corallines, confisting of that fubftance, do belong to the animal kingdom.

What or where the link is that unites the animal and vegetable kingdoms of Nature, no one has yet been able to point out; fome of these Corallines appear to come the nearest to it of any thing that has occurred to me in all my refearches: but then the calcareous covering, though ever so thin, shews us that they cannot be vegetables. The white mealy surface of some of the Lichens would induce one to think them covered with a calcareous matter: but chemistry shews us it is no more of a calcareous nature than the mealy whiteness on the leaves and blossoms of the Auricula urfi.

The minuteness of the pores of Corallines, though as fmall as those of some plants, is no proof of their being vegetables; because there may be suckers that come through these pores, which our glasses cannot discover; or perhaps they may be like the pores of sponges, contrived in such a manner as to suck in and throw out the water. Let us observe the pores of the Millepores, and we shall find them equally as small in many species as those of the Corallines; and yet these are universally allowed to be of the animal kingdom.

For a more particular enquiry into this fubject, I fhall refer the reader to the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 57. pag. 404. where I have fully explained this matter, in a letter to Dr. Linnæus.

1. Corallina tridens.

Trident Coralline.

Тав.20. Fig. a.

Corallina trichotoma articulata, articulis compressis planis trilobis. This Coralline is jointed, and branches out into a division of three; the joints are compressed, with three flat lobes.

TAB. 20. FIG. a.

This was found by John Greg, Esq. on the coast of the new ceded Islands.

2. Corallina

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TAB.20. 2. Corallina Opuntia. FIG. b. Indian Fig Coralline.

Corallina trichotoma articulata, articulis compressi undulatis reniformibus. This Coralline is jointed; the branches divide into three. The joints are compressed, waved, and kidney-shaped.

TAB. 20. FIG. b.

Corallina opuntioides, ramulis densioribus, et foliis magis sinuatis atque corrugatis. Sloan. Hift. Jam. I. pag. 57. tab. 20. fig. 2.

Articulated Coralline of Jamaica. Ellis Corallin. pag. 53. tab. 25. fig. b. B. B 1.

Corallina Opuntia. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1304.

This is found on the Coaft of Jamaica and the other West-India islands; and was lately found on the shore of Prince's Island, in the Straits of Sunda, by Doctor Badenach.

T'AB.20. 3. Corallina Monile. F10. c.

> Corallina trichotoma articulata, articulis inferioribus compressis convexis cuneiformibus oblongis; superioribus subcylindricis.

Necklace Coralline.

This Coralline is jointed, and branches out in a threefold divifion : the lower joints are comprefied, convex, wedgefhaped, and oblong; the upper ones are almost cylindrical.

Тав. 20. Fig. c.

This was found on the coaft of Jamaica. There is a good fpecimen of this in the British Museum.

4. Corallina

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CORALLINA.

4. Corallina incraffata.

Corallina trichotoma articulata, articulis compressis convexo-planis cuneiformibus. This Coralline is jointed, and the branches divide into three, with compreffed, planoconvex, wedge-fhaped joints.

TAB. 20. FIG. d. d 1-3. D 1-6.

Ellis Corallin. pag. 53. tab. 25. fig. A. a.

This is found very frequently cast on shore in the American islands, particularly Jamaica.

5. Corallina Tuna.	Tuna Coralline. TAB.20. FIG. C.
Corallina trichotoma rticulata, articulis com- reffis planis fubrotundis.	This Coralline is jointed, and the branches divide into three, with fmooth compressed roundifh joints.

TAB. 20. FIG. e.

Opuntia marina. Parkinf. Theatr. p. 1294. fig. 12. Marsigli Hist. de la Mer, pag. 65. tab. 7. fig. 31.

This is found in the Mediterranean Sea.

6. Corallina Rofarium.

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Rofary Coralline.

Тав.21. Fic. h.

Corallina dichotoma, articulis fubmoniliformi- it bus; inferioribus cylin- h dricis. fo

This Coralline grows with its branches divided in two, having round joints which are fomething like a necklace; the lower joints are cylindrical.

TAB. 21. FIG. h. H. H 1-3.

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TAB.2C. FIG. d.

Flefby Coralline.

Corallina nervo tenuiori, fragiliorique internodia longiora nectente. Sloan Hift. Jam. I. pag. 58. tab. 20. fig. 3.

This is found among the American islands, particularly on the coast of Jamaica.

The upper part has joints remarkably fmaller than the lower part.

7. Corallina barbata.

Bearded Coralline.

Corallina dichotoma, Dichotomous Coralline with articulis cylindricis, ramulis apice barbatis. Dichotomous Coralline with cylindrical joints, and the tops of the branches ending in tufts of filaments.

Rosary, or Bead-Coralline of Jamaica. Ellis Corallin. pag. 54. tab. 25. fig. c. C.

Corallina barbata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1305.

Thefe two last Corallines feem to be near akin; they look like beads strung on strings; the tusts of filaments feem to be the infant state of the joints, before they are covered with the calcareous part. This will probably be confirmed by future observations; at present this appearance makes a remarkable difference.

This was found on the fea-coaft of Jamaica.

TAB.21. 8. Corallina lapidefcens. FIG. g. TAB.22.

Stony Coralline.

FIG. 9. Corallina dichotoma, Dichotomous Coralline with articulis cylindricis vil- cylindrical downy joints. losis.

TAB. 21. FIG. g. Tab. 22. FIG. 9.

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There are two varieties of this Coralline, one that is always dichotomous, Tab. 22. fig. 9. and another that fends out three or more joints from the fame place, Tab. 21. fig. g. The fine hair-like down, when magnified, looks like the beginning of a Byffus. In fpecimens lately received, preferved in fpirits as they were taken out of the fea, thefe fine fhort-reddifh hairs come out in regular whirls, or circles, one above another, out of the pores in the calcareous furface of the Coralline.

If we examine the figures of the Coralline of the fhops that are reprefented magnified, after the calcareous coat was taken off by vinegar (fee fig. A. and C. tab. 24. Effay on Corallines) we fhall find the fame kind of circular rows of fibres, one above another, as in this; fo that it appears as if this Coralline in its prefent flate was producing another calcareous layer over its former one.

9. Corallina obtufata.

Oval jointed Coralline.

TAB.22. Fig. 2.

Corallina dichotoma, articulis oblongo-ovatis utrinque rotundatis subcompress. Dichotomous Coralline with joints that are of an oval oblong figure, rounded at both ends, and a little compreffed.

TAB. 22. FIG. 2.

Many of these Corallines, when dried, become compressed; but from the appearance of many kinds which I have received in spirits just as they were taken out of the sea, they are perfectly round.

This was brought from the Bahama Islands.

10. Corallina

TAB.22. 10. Corallina oblongata. Fig. 1.

> Corallina dichotoma, articulis oblongis fubcompresso-cylindricis.

Dichotomous Coralline with oblong cylindrical joints, a little compressed.

Oblong jointed Coralline.

TAB. 22. FIG. 1.

This fpecies feems to come between the Corallina obtufata and the Corallina cylindrica that follows. It differs from the first in being round at the top of the joints and not at the bottom; and likewise in being more flender, also growing thicker towards the top. It differs from the latter by the joints being a little compressed and more diftant; it is also thicker and foster.

It is found among the Weft-Indian islands.

TAB.22. 11. Corallina cylindrica. FIG. 4.

Cylindrical jointed Coralline.

Corallina dichotoma, articulis cylindricis fubæqualibus lævibus. Dichotomous Coralline with fmooth cylindrical joints, nearly equal.

TAB. 22. FIG. 4.

This Coralline I lately received from Mr. Greg, preferved in fpirits, from the Weft Indies; when it was fhifted into clear fpirits, there hung to it a clear gelatinous fubftance, which the internal part appeared to be full of. Upon opening fome of the joints, they alfo were full of minutely branched tubes; fo that the tubular hollow appearance, as defcribed by authors, proceeds from their having diffected only dried fpecimens. The joints feem rather larger at top than at bottom in recent fpecimens.

12. Corallina

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12. Corallina marginata.

Bordered Coralline.

Тав.22. Fig. 6.

Corallina dichotoma, ramis subcontinuis lævibus complanatis, marginibus subinflexis. Dichotomous Coralline with flat fmooth branches, fcarcely jointed, and a raifed border.

TAB. 22. FIG. 6.

Though this Coralline is found, when dry on the fhore, more flat than the reft of this kind, it is very probable, when it is fresh taken out of the sea it is much rounder; the fibres in the infide are extremely delicate, which occasions its shrinking fo much, when the gelatinous fluid is evaporated,

This was found on the fhore of one of the Bahama islands.

13. Corallina rugofa.

Wrinkled Coralline.

TAB.22. F1G. 3.

Corallina dichotoma, articulis annulato-rugulofis fubcontinuis cylindricis, apicibus compreffis. Dichotomous Coralline with cylindrical joints, almoft united : thefe are wrinkled with circular furrows, and the tops of it are comprefied.

TAB. 22. FIG. 3.

Corallina geniculata, mollis, Americana, segmentis latis et compressione Pluken. phyt. tab. 168. fig. 4.

Fucus marinus coralloides minor fungosus albidus teres segmentis in summitate planis. Sloan. Hift. Jam. I. p. 61. tab. 20. fig. 10.

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This is found on the Jamaica coaft.

14. Corallina

TAB.22. 14. Corallina lichenoides. FIG. 8. Liverwort Coralline.

Corallina dichotoma, ramis continuis rugofiusculis superne complanatis. Dichotomous Coralline with branches a little rugged and not jointed; the tops of them are flat.

TAB. 22. FIG. 8.

This Coralline is of a fea-green color, and much fhorter than the foregoing. It is found on the coast of the Bahama islands.

TAB.22. 15. Corallina indurata. F1G. 7.

> Corallina dichotoma, ramis subcontinuis teretibus lævibus divaricatis.

Hardened Coralline.

Dichotomous Coralline with round, fmooth and fpreading branches, fcarcely jointed.

TAB. 22. FIG. 7.

This was found with the former on the coast of the Bahama islands.

TAB.22. 16. Corallina fruticulofa. FIG. 5.

> Corallina dichotoma, ramis teretibus continuis furfuraceis, apicibus attenuatis.

Shrub-like Coralline.

Dichotomous Coralline with round branches, not jointed; thefe are covered with a mealy fubftance, and grow fmalles towards the ends.

TAB. 22. FIG. 5.

There are many varieties of this fpecies, which fpread their branches more irregularly.

This was found on the Bahama coaft.

17. Corallina

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17. Corallina pinnata.

Corallina ramis pinnatis continuis furfuraceis.

Pennated Coralline.

Coralline with pennated branches, without joints, and covered with a mealy fubflance.

This was found on the coast of the Bahama islands.

18. Corallina squamata.

Flat jointed Coralline.

Corallina trichotoma, articulis stirpium rotundato-compressi cuneiformibus; ramulorum compressis planis; ultimis complanatis ancipitibus acutis. Trichotomous Coralline with different fhaped joints: those of the ftem are roundly compreffed, and wedge-fhaped; those of the branches flatly compressed; those at the extremities are flattish, going off fharp on each fide, like a twoedged fword.

Upright English Coralline, with Spear-like Heads and flat Joints. Ellis Corallin. pag. 49. tab. 24. No. 4. fig. c. C.

This is of a fea-green color, and was collected on the coaft of Cornwall by the Rev. Dr. William Borlafe. It has a very different appearance from the officinal Coralline, of which fome authors, who have not feen it, would make it a variety.

19. Corallina loricata.

Coat of Mail Coralline.

Corallina trichotoma, articulis compressi con-

This Coralline is trichotomous, with joints that are vexiusculis vexiusculis cuneiformibus: lateribus angulatis; ultimis sublobatis: lobis parvis obtus. roundly compreffed, and wedge-fhaped; the fides angular; the joints at the ends are fomething like fmall obtufe lobes.

This Coralline is much larger than the Coralline of the shops, being four times as big.

It was found in the Mediterranean Sea.

TAB.21. 20. Corallina palmata. Fig. a.

Corallina trichotoma, articulis compressi convexiusculis cuneiformibus, apice subcorniculatis, articulis ultimis latis, lobis digitiformibus instructis.

Palmated Coralline.

Trichotomous Coralline with roundifh-compressed, wedgescalar fhaped joints, having the appearance of horns on the tops; the upper joints are broad, and furnissed with scalar finger-like lobes.

TAB. 21. FIG. a. A.

This was found in the American feas, and is of a gloffy white color.

TAB.23. 21. Corallina officinalis. FIG. 14.

Corallina trichotoma, articulis stirpium subcompressis subcuneiformibus, ramulorum cylindricis; terminalibus nonnullis capitatis.

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Coralline of the Shops.

Trichotomous Coralline with the joints of the ftem a little compreffed, and not unlike a wedge; those of the branches are cylindrical, and those of the ends often terminating in little knobs.

TAB. 23. FIG. 14. 15.

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Coralline of the Shops. Ellis Corallin. pag. 48. tab. 24. No. 2. fig. a. A. AI. A2. B. BI. B2.

Corallina officinalis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1304.

This Coralline is particularly defcribed in my Effay on Corallines, and the figure reprefented highly magnified, both with the calcareous fubftance taken off by vinegar, and before it was immerfed, to fhew its pores. A diffection of it is likewife magnified at fig. 15. in tab. 23: to fhew how near the internal conftruction of its cells agrees with those of the Millepora lichenoides.

It is found on the fea-coast of these kingdoms, and varies in its color; it is found red, greenish, yellowish, and white.

22. Corallina elongata.

Corallina trichotoma, articulis stirpium subtereticuneiformibus; ramorum cylindricis; summis obtusiusculis; nonnullis capitatis. Trailing Coralline.

Trichotomous Coralline with the joints of the stem of a roundish wedge-shape: of the branches of a cylindrical shape: of the tops a little blunt, and knobs on some of them.

Slender trailing English Coralline. Ellis Corallin. p. 49. tab. 24. fig. 3.

This Coralline was found on the coaft of Cornwall, and is remarkably flenderer, longer, and fmaller than the officinal Coralline, and of a reddifh or purplifh color.

23. Corallina fubulata.

Corallina trichotoma, articulis stirpium ancipitiCoralline with pointed branches. TAB. 21. FIG. b.

This Coralline is trichoto-B. mous; the joints of the stem bus bus cuneiformibus, ex apice utriusque lateris proliferis: ramulis brevibus subulatis; articulis teretibus. are wedge-fhaped and twoedged, fending out fmall pointed branches from the top of each of their fides, with round joints.

TAB. 21. FIG. b. B.

The appearance of this Coralline is very flat, white, flender and fmall, and looks as if it was very clofely pennated, or with fine white fibres coming out on each fide, like a branched feather. It is the most delicate of all the tribe, and was lately brought from the West Indies.

TAB.21. 24. Corallina granifera. FIG. C.

> Corallina trichotoma, articulis stirpium compressis cuneiformibus; ramulorum subteretibus, ovariis ovalibus pedunculatis oppositis interdum proliferis.

Graniferous Coralline.

Trichotomous Coralline with the joints of the ftem comprefied and wedge-fhaped: those of the branches roundish; from these the egg-schaped ovaries with stalks grow opposite to each other, and are sometimes proliferous.

TAB. 21. FIG. c. C.

This differs from all the other trichotomous Corallines, in having proliferous ovaries, or branches growing out of them, bearing other ovaries. It is of a fea-green color and flender texture.

It was found on the coast of Africa, in the Mediterranean Sea.

25. Corallina

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25. Corallina corniculata.

Coralline with horned Joints.

Corallina dichotoma, articulis stirpium bicornibus; ramulorum teretibus. This Coralline is dichotomous; the joints of the ftems have two horns; those of the fmall branches are roundifh.

White slender jointed Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 50. tab. 24. No. 6. fig. d. D.

Corallina corniculata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1305.

This Coralline grows on fucus's, and is found in plenty in Cornwall. The younger joints, as they fubdivide, are roundifh. There is a variety of this kind from the West Indies with much larger joints, that all appear horned, the branches as well as those of the stems.

I have lately examined fome specimens of this Coralline from Cornwall, and have found that they bear the fame kind of ovaries at the angles of their upper divisions in the fame manner with the two following species; fo that it may be a variety of them, or perhaps one of them in another state of growth.

26. Corallina cristata.

Crefted Coralline.

Dichotomous hair-like Co-

ralline, with round joints,

Corallina dichotoma capillaris, articulis teretibus, ramulis fasciculatis cristatis, divisuris penultimis et extremis ovariferis.

having its branches difpofed in
crefted bunches, with ovaries
at the laft but one and laft division.

Crested or Cock's-comb Coralline. Ellis Corallin. p. 51. tab. 24. No. 7. fig. f. F.

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This elegant little Coralline is about one inch to an inch and a half long, and is most commonly of a red color, fometimes green, and often white. It is eafily known by being disposed into creft-like tusts; it differs from the following, by having shorter points at the ends of the branches, and growing much thicker together. It is found in great quantities about Weymouth and Penzance in the west of England, and generally adheres to fucus's. I am inclined to think, notwithstanding this difference, there is a great affinity between this, the corniculata, and the spermophoros.

27. Corallina fpermo-. phoros.

Corallina dichotoma capillaris, articulis subteretibus, divisuris penultimis et ultimis ovariferis, corniculis terminalibus setaceis.

Seed-bearing Coralline.

Dichotomous hair-like Coralline, with roundifh joints, bearing ovaries at the laft and . laft but one division, and ending at the top with long briftles.

Seed-bearing Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 51. tab. 24. No. 8. fig. g. G.

This Coralline is very flender, and feldom above one inch long; it is generally found of a milk-white color, and never in the crefted form with the foregoing, but more loofe and fpread. It adheres to fucus's, and grows in plenty near Penzance, in Cornwall.

In my Effay on Corallines, tab. 24. No. 9. fig. h. H. H 1. is a very fmall Coralline, which is milk-white, and I fuppofe is the beginning of the C. fpermophoros.

28. Corallina

28. Corallina rubens.

Red Thread Coralline.

Corallina dichotoma filiformis, articulis stirpium teretibus; dichotomiæ claviformibus; inferioribus nonnullis bicornibus. Dichotomous thread-like Coralline, with the joints of the ftem round, of the divifions nail-fhaped, and fome of the lower joints have two little horns.

Reddifb Hair-like Coralline. Ellis Corallin. pag. 50. tab. 24. No. 5. fig. e. E.

Corallina rubens. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1304.

This differs from the three foregoing Corallines in being much longer, and lefs fubdivided at top. It is generally found two inches long, and of a red color, and is very common on the coaft of Cornwall. There is a great affinity between this and the three preceding Corallines. I have introduced them here diftinct, becaufe their appearance is fo.

The three last are the Corallines that Dr. Job Baster, in the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 52. pag. 111. and 112. infists on it are true Confervæ.

29. Corallina fragilissima.

Brittle Coralline.

TAB.21. Fig. d.

Corallina dichotoma, articulis cylindricis æqualibus lævibus, ramis erectis. joints, and erect branches.

TAB. 21. FIG. d.

Corallina fragilissima. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1305.

This is found in the Weft-Indian Ocean, and is much larger and ftiffer than the four preceding fpecies. It is R_2 of

of a milk-white color; but being fo brittle, it is rare to get perfect fpecimens of it.

TAB.21. 30. Corallina cuspidata. FIG. f.

Corallina fubtetrachotoma, articulis cylindricis, geniculis tendinaceo-glutinofis, ramulis acutis.

Spear-pointed Coralline.

Coralline with branches often dividing into four; the joints are cylindrical, and united by a glutinous, tendinous fubftance; the branches end in fharp points.

TAB. 21. FIG. f.

This Coralline is very brittle and white; it grows in tufts about three inches high, and is found on the fhores of the West-Indian islands.

T'AB.21. FIG. e. 31. Corallina Tribulus.

Caltrop Coralline.

Corallina subpentachotoma, articulis ancipitibus, geniculis tendinaceo-glutinosis. Coralline with branches often divided into five; the joints are two-edged, and united together by a glutinous, tendinous fubftance.

TAB. 21. FIG. e.

This Coralline is of a whitish color, and much thicker and larger than the preceding; it is found on the coafts of the Weft-Indian islands.

TAB.24. 32. Corallina Flabellum.

Fan Coralline.

Corallina *stipite simplici* Coralline with a fingle inincrustato, ramis omnibus crustated stem, having the conglutinatis, conglutinatis, fronde flabelliformi incrustata subundulata. branches glued together into a leaf, like a fan, covered with a calcareous cruft, and fomewhat waved.

TAB. 24.

This Coralline varies from the figure of a flat kidneyfhaped leaf, an inch high, with a broad ftalk, to a large fubdivided, lobated and undulated one of five inches high and as many broad: at the bottom of the ftalk is a tuft of fine hair-like tubes. There are many varieties of this curious Coralline brought to us from the Weft Indies; they are of different colors, from a greenifh brown to a milk-white.

33. Corallina conglutinata.

Conglutinated Coralline.

TAB.25. FIG. 7.

Corallina stipite simplici subincrustato, ramis dichotomisomnibus conglutinatis, fronde slabelliformi nuda. Coralline with a fingle ftem, flightly incrustated, with all its branches dichotomous and glued together, but not covered, forming a figure like a leaf of a fan-fhape.

TAB. 25. FIG. 7.

We can plainly diftinguish all the dichotomous branches of this Coralline on its furface, which are each of them feparately covered with a thin calcareous fubstance full of pores; these, by growing fo close to one another, become glued or united together by their covering.

This was found on the coaft of the Bahama islands. It is of a fea-green color, and one inch and an half high.

34. Corallina

TAB.25. 34. Corallina Phœnix. F16.2.3.

> Corallina stipite simplici incrustato, fronde oblonga, ramis undique fasciculatis erumpentibus complanato-connatis.

Palm Coralline.

Coralline with a fingle incruftated ftem; the upper leafy part is of an oblong figure, and confifts of fmall fafciculated branches, which come forth on all fides; the leffer branches of thefe are fo united together, as to appear quite flat.

TAB. 25. FIG. 2. 3.

This very fingular Coralline was found on the coaft of the Bahama iflands. It is of a milk-white color, and about three inches and an half high.

TAB.25. 35. Corallina Penicillus. F1G.4-6

Pencil Coralline.

Corallina stipite simplici incrustato, ramis fasciculatis fastigiatis dichotomis filiformibus articulatis. Coralline with a fingle incruftated ftem, and a tuft of dichotomous thread-like jointed branches at the top.

Тав. 25. Fig. 4-6.

Corallina Penicillus. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1305.

This Coralline varies in the thicknefs of its branches, as well as in its fize; they are found from one inch to four inches long; in fome the ftem is very fhort, in others it is four times as long as the head. They are generally white. The joints are eafily diftinguished where the branches divide; the ftem is composed of tubular filaments, covered with a calcareous crust. They adhere to shells fhells by the bafe of these filaments, and are often found in the West-Indian Ocean growing to shells, many of them together.

36. Corallina Peniculum.

Mop Coralline.

Corallina stipite simplici membranaceo ruguloso, ramis fasciculatis fastigiatis dichotomis articulatis. Coralline with a fingle mem-^{F1G.5-8} TAB.25. branaceous wrinkled ftem, on the top of which is a tuft of jointed dichotomous branches.

TAB. 7. FIG. 5-8. TAB. 25. FIG. 1.

This is the most fingular of all this genus, and differs from the reft by the regular wrinkles of the stem, which is small at the base, and grows wider as it rises, till it fends forth its branches at the top : from the base it fends forth branched tubes, like the Sertularias, by which it adheres : these tubes do not less as they extend, but have an equal diameter their whole length. When the branches at the top are magnified, their calcareous crust full of pores may be distinguished, which brings it to this genus.

This is found in the American feas, many growing together, particularly near the Bahama islands.

I fhould in this place have taken notice of the Coral-TAB. 7lina terreftris, mentioned by Linnæus, Syft. Nat. p. 1306. FIG. 9from other authors; but as I found it only a defective fpecimen of fome one of the trichotomous Corallines already deferibed, I muft refer the reader to a full account, which I have already given of it in the Philofophical Tranfactions, Vol. 57. pag. 415. wherein the abfurdity of a marine animal fubftance growing on a heath, many miles from the fea, is, I hope, fully demonstrated.

XII. MILLEPORA.

Animal crescens plantæ facie.

Stirps fixa, lapidea (corallium) plerumque ramosa, poris turbinatis vel cylindricis pertusa;

Polypos Hydræformes, modo tubæformes (Donati) exferens.

MILLEPORE CORAL.

This is an animal that grows in the form of a plant.

The ftem is ftony, like coral, and fixt by its bafe; it is most commonly branched, and full of top-fhaped or cylindrical cells.

These fend forth polypelike fuckers, like the common fresh-water one, and some of them Polypes of a trumpetshape (as Donati observes).

The great Linnæus has with propriety brought the ftony Efcharas of other authors to this genus, to which they naturally belong; and has conftituted a genus for the foft membranaceous Efcharas, under the title of Fluftras, which I have called, in Englifh, Sea-Matts, as having that appearance when magnified.

The particular ftructure of feveral species of this genus differs much from one another, as will appear from the following divisions:

1) Those that are almost folid, whose pores are scarcely visible without being highly magnified; but yet, on being broken across, discover plainly a cellular structure, as has been shewn in Vol. 57. of the Philosophical Transactions, actions, in the Millepora calcarea and Millepora lichenoides.

2). Those that grow like the Flustra of Linnæus, or Eschara of some authors, which have their cells disposed regularly, either in fingle layers as in fome, or in double layers as in others, which last are placed back to back, like the cells in the combs of bees; and these are either in irregular undivided forms, or divided into branches. The first are the Millepora Spongites and M. foliacea, and the fecond kind are the Millepora tanialis and M. cervicornis.

3). Those that are composed of clusters of cellular pores, irregularly arranged, as in the Millepora pumicofa, M. tubulofa, and M. rubra.

4). Those that have small vessels running through them lengthways in the infide, and which fend out pores only on one fide, as in the Millepora foraminofa, M. reticulata, and M. tubipora; or that fend out their pores in a line on the margin, as in the M. violacea.

5). Those that grow with the fame internal longitudinal veffels, and fend out pores on all fides, as in the Millepora truncata, M. alcicornis, and M. cærulea.

This last Millepora cærulea has its pores larger than the reft, befides they appear a little inclined to a stellated form; fo that it very properly joins this genus to the Madrepora, whofe character is a Coral with radiated pores.

I. MILLEPORES THAT ARE ALMOST SOLID.

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1. Millepora calcarea.

Chalky Millepore.

Millepora ramofa albiffima solida dichotoma, ra. Тав.23. FIG. 13.

This Millepore is extremely white, solid, and dichotomulis mulis attenuatis coalescentibus. moufly branched; the little branches often unite together, and become fmaller at the ends.

TAB. 23. FIG. 13.

This milk-white little Coral has a very different appearance from that called M. polymorpha, or the little English Coral of the Shops, which is found on the coasts of these islands. From the habit and manner of its growing, I shall consider it as different species.

This grows to four inches high; the branches become fmaller towards the end, and are generally regularly fubdivided. On breaking the branches flantways, the internal cellular ftructure may be feen in the microfcope. It is found in the Mediterranean Sea.

2. Millepora polymorpha.

British officinal Coral.

Millepora fafciculata folida, ramulis difformi- r bus tuberculatis. t

This Millepore is in folid maffes, irregularly ramofe, and tuberculated.

Corallium pumilum album, fere lapideum, ramosum. Ellis Corallin. pag. 76. tab. 27. fig. c.

Millepora polymorpha. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1285.

This is the Coral of the Shops, and is found in great plenty in the feas round thefe iflands, efpecially near Falmouth, and the Ifle of Man. It is of very different colors, as red, yellow, greenifh, afh-colored, but feldom white. It is ufed in many places for manure, particularly at Falmouth, according to Mr. Ray; and is fuppofed by fome late authors, but with no degree of probability, to be driven by the wind and waves hither from the the American islands. It is often shaped like the kernel of a walnut, often in larger compressed masses, sometimes like a bunch of very small grapes, most frequently in tuberculated branches. It is found from one inch to three inches long. When it is taken out of the fea it is covered with a flime. The pores on the furface are very fmall, fo that to fee them it is neceffary to wipe the flime very clean off, and to use a large magnifier.

3. Millepora decuffata.

Intersected Millepore.

TAB.23. FIG. 9.

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Millepora cretacea lamellata, laminis varie decussantibus.

This Millepore is full of chalky, erect plates, or laminæ, which crofs one another, and unite differently here and there.

TAB. 23. FIG. 9.

This has been fuppofed to be a variety of the following; but the fingularity of its growth obliges me to make them two diftinct species. This was found on the coast of Portugal, where it grows in large maffes of five and fix inches diameter.

4. Millepora lichenoides.

Millepora laminis tenuibus semicircularibushorizontaliter foliosa.

FIG. This Millepore has slender 10-12. femicircular plates, or laminæ, that grow horizontally.

Liverwort Millepore.

TAB. 23. FIG. 10-12.

This most delicate Millepore is of various colors, as red, purplish, yellow and whitish. It is found adhering to and covering the Coralline of the Shops, on the coaft of

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of Cornwall. It is extremely thin and brittle: the femicircular plates are of various fizes, and conftantly grow horizontally; their margins bend over, which makes them convex on their upper fides, and concave underneath. This is remarkably full of the fame fhaped ovaries with the Coralline of the Shops. My learned and reverend friend Dr. William Borlafe, of Ludgvan, in Cornwall, was fo kind as to fend me many varieties of this fpecies. The pores on the under part are to be difcovered by good glaffes. The cellular ftructure of the internal part both of this and the officinal Coralline exactly agree, as may be feen in the figures I have given of them.

[2]. MILLEPORES THAT GROW LIKE THE FLUSTRA.

5. Millepora Spongites.

Sponge-Stone Millepore.

Millepora fragilissima, cellulis seriatis, lamellis simplicibus tubuloso-turbinatis varie coalescentibus. This very brittle Millepore has rows of cells, in fingle layers, which are of a tubular top-fhape, irregularly uniting together into maffes.

Cellepora Spongites. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1286.

This delicate Millepore is marked on the under fide of the cells with lines between each row; the openings of the cells have a little margin round them, and there are frequently little round balls on the upper part of many of them, which probably are their ovaries. The cells in their lines are generally alternate to those that lie next to them. It is found in the Mediterranean Sea, of various fizes, from two to four inches diameter, and often much larger;

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larger; fometimes of a milk-white, at other times of a grey color.

6. Millepora foliacea.

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Foliaceous Millepore.

Millepora lamellofa flexuosa utrinque porosa. Millepore with winding laminæ, or plates full of cells on both fides.

Stony foliaceous Coralline. Ellis Corallin. p. 71. tab. 30. fig. a. A. B. C.

Millepora fascialis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1283.

This Millepore is very common on the fea-coaft of the Britifh iflands, where it is found in maffes from three inches to a foot long. We frequently obferve it incrufting ftones and fhells, and like fome of the Fluftras, or Sea-Matts, it first forms a fingle layer of cells, and rifes up with a double layer afterwards into twifted leaf-like ftony maffes, with cells on both fides, difposed in a quincunx order.

7. Millepora tænialis.

Tape Millepore.

Millepora plana angusta ramosa utrinque porosa, ramis flezuosis coalitis. This Millepore is flat, narrow, and fubdivided into branches; it has cells on both fides; the branches bend irregularly, and often unite together.

Porus Cervinus. Ellis Corallin. pag. 72. tab. 30. fig. b. Millepora fafcialis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1283. 6 This This Millepore grows in very irregular maffes, but always preferves the fame habit of growing; that is, the branches are flat, narrow, and regularly fubdivided : they coalefce, twift, and branch out again, leaving certain hollow fpaces between them; their cells are much fmaller, though of the fame fhape with the cells in the foliaceous Millepore. This Coral was brought from the Mediterranean Sea, and grows in large maffes of fix inches diameter.

There is a kind, fomething like this, found on the coast of Cornwall; but the branches are not fo flat, and the cells have more elevated openings, liker to the following fpecies. See Borlafe Hift. Cornwall, tab. 24. fig. 7.

8. Millepora cervicornis.

Stag's-Horn Millepore.

Millepora fubcompressa dichotoma utrinque cellifera, osculis tubulosis prominulis. This Millepore is a little compreffed, and dichotomous; it has cells on both fides, with tubular openings that project a little.

Marfigli Hift. de la Mer, tab. 32. fig. 152.

This Millepore exactly agrees with Marfigli's defcription and magnified figure, and likewife in the appearance of its furface; for it looks as if it was covered with varnifh, by the time it is become from red to a yellowifh brown. Its branches are very like a ftag's horn, and it is probably what Imperatus calls Porus Cervinus, and not the M. tænialis, which I had formerly taken it for; it is very brittle, and much narrower than the Tape Millepore, but not fo flat. I have obferved fome of the pores divided at the bafe, but they are not generally fo, which makes

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makes me doubt its being the Millepora afpera of Linnæus. It grows to five or fix inches high, and is found in the Mediterranean Sea.

9. Millepora Skenei.

Millepora plano-compressa subramosa utrinque cellifera : cellulis seriatis alternis turbinatis galeatis : fauce biante, labio inferiori denticulo unico prædito.

Skene's Millepore.

This Millepore is much comprefied, and beginning to divide into branches, with cells on both fides, difpofed in regular rows: the cells are placed alternately, each has a helmetfhaped cover over its round gaping mouth; the under lip is furnifhed with one little tooth.

I received a fmall fpecimen of this Coral from my late ingenious and learned friend Dr. David Skene, of Aberdeen. It is of a bright fhining white color, as if covered over with a filver varnifh. It appears to be the beginning of an elegant kind of Millepore, and was found adhering to a rock in the fea near Aberdeen. It differs much from the Millepora pumicofa, which grows in irregular maffes with a much fmaller opening to its mouth.

[3]. MILLEPORES THAT ARE COMPOSED OF CLUSTERS OF CELLULAR PORES IRREGULARLY ARRANGED.

10. Millepora pumicosa. Pumice Millepore.

Millepora multiformis fragilis scaberrima, e celThis Millepore appears in many forms; it is brittle, very *lulis* 135

lulis subglobosis mucronatis rough, and composed of sharpcomposita. pointed roundisch cells.

Porous Eschara. Ellis Corallin. pag. 75. tab. 27. fig. f. F.

This Millepore is often found incrusting many of the Sertularias in fmall irregular masses; when they are thrown on shore, the points of their cells are worn off.

I have lately received a fpecimen from Aberdeen, with compleat cells, that feems to be of this fpecies. It has fmall cylindrical branches, each about half an inch long: the cells are placed round about in an alternate order; they are fhaped like a helmet or head-piece juft opening, with a hole in the middle; the under part is pointed, and projects like the lower part of a bird's beak; and at the bottom of each of the cells is a hole, which feems to belong to one of the cells that is covered by the laft feries.

11. Millepora tubulofa.

Tubular Millepore.

Millepora parasitica, cellulis tubuliformibus seriebus transverse dispositis. This parafitical Millepore has fmall tubular cells difpofed in rows acrofs.

Small Purple Eschara. Ellis Corallin. pag. 74. tab. 27. fig. e. E.

This little purplifh Millepore is frequently found creeping up the Sickle Coralline (Sertularia falcata) which it adheres to, and furrounds with many united rows of little parallel tubes. Thefe rows are frequently feparated into narrow divifions, which bend a little back, and appear like fo many fmall combs. Thefe maffes are found about half an inch, feldom above three quarters of an inch diameter. meter. They are found in the Mediterranean Sea, as well as on our coafts.

12. Millepora rubra.

Little Red Millepore.

Millepora minima sublobata rubra, poris crebris minutis punctata.

fub- This very fmall Red Mille*cre-* pore branches into little lobes, a. and is full of fmall pores.

Madrepora minima fubverrucosa rubra. Brown Hift. Jam. pag. 391.

This beautiful little Coral is the fmalleft of the tribe, being feldom above one quarter of an inch high; the whole furface, when magnified, is full of minute white blind pores; but on the tops of the lobes we may obferve feveral fmall holes, fcattered here and there, that are furrounded by a margin; thefe are properly the little cells. It has a broad bafe by which it adheres to fhells, corals, and rocks, and is found not only in the Weft Indies, but in the Mediterranean Sea and the Eaft Indies.

13. Millepora verrucaria.

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Millepora limbo concavo tenui explanato substriato, disco convexo tubulis confertis radiato.

Madrepora verrucaria. pag. 1272.

This very little Millepore is defcribed by fome authors as a Madrepore, and reckoned as a variety of the Madrepora verrucaria; but the appearance of the tubular pores will convince the curious obferver, that it is a Millepore; T and

This Millepore has a round, thin, ftriated, concave bafe, with a convex difk full of little tubes difpofed like rays.

Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12.

Wart-like Millepore.

and perhaps the beginning of fome one already defcribed, probably the Millepora tubulofa. It is about the fize of a fplit pea, and found adhering to Fucus's and Fluftras, or Sea-Matts, in the British feas.

[4]. MILLEPORES THAT HAVE SMALL VESSELS RUNNING LENGTHWAYS THROUGH THEIR INSIDES, AND WHICH SEND OUT PORES ON ONE SIDE, OR ONLY IN A LINE ON THE MARGIN.

14. Millepora foraminofa.

Lace Millepore.

Millepora reticulata infundibuliformis inordinate undulato-plicata, latere fuperiori tantum porofa. This Millepore is formed like a net, funnel-fhaped, and irregularly waved, and plaited in the margin. It is full of pores only on one fide.

Retepora eschara marina. Ellis Corallin. pag. 72. tab. 25. fig. d. D. F.

Millepora cellulosa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1284.

Though this elegant little Coral is found now and then on our coaft, we cannot boaft of those beautiful forms that we find in specimens from the Mediterranean Sea. Ours is generally funnel-shaped; but the foreign is more loosely folded and waved, and looks like open lace; the under part is quite smooth between the openings, but the upper surface is full of cells, which are disposed in a regular quincunx order.

15. Millepora reticulata.

Net Millepore.

Millepora ramofa in planum expanfa, ramis 5

This Millepore is branched, and expands horizontally; the *dichotomis* dichotomis bifariam anastomofantibus, supra scabris poris asperis; subtus lævibus. branches are dichotomous, and grow together on both fides; the upper part is rough, with pointed pores, the under part . fmooth.

Millepora reticulata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1284.

This Coral is very rare, and was brought from the Eaft Indies. It is very like the Frondipora of Imperatus, or the little Coral figured by Count Marfigli, in tab. 34. fig. 155. and 156. but more expanded; the little fide branches diverge in an acute angle, and meeting with the oppofite ones, grow together and form a net-like figure. Thefe reticulated branches grow in an undulated manner, and coalefce here and there together. It is of a whitifh color and brittle texture.

16. Millepora tubipora.

Tubulous Millepore.

Millepora proclinans in plano dichotoma, ramulis flexuofis subparallelis denticulatis, supra poris prominulis; subtus striatis. This Millepore bends forward, in a flat dichotomous manner; the branches are waved, nearly parallel, and denticulated; the pores project on the upper fide, and the under fide is ftriated.

Ellis Corallin. pag. 95. tab. 35. fig. b. B. Millepora lichenoides. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1283.

I have already defcribed this tubulous white Millepore in my Effay on Corallines, and in the Philofophical Transfactions, to shew that many Corals are composed of united tubes. The specimen there represented is only the beginning of one of them, and not so compleat as I T 2 have have here defcribed: for in this the tubular pores are more prominent, appearing on the fides like denticles, and the upper part is flat, and fpread out in dichotomous branches. It makes a most elegant figure, when there is a group of them together, being milk-white, and growing to about three or four inches high.

17. Millepora violacea.

Millepora in plano ramofa, ramulis ascendentibus flexuosis tereti-compressis, sutura porosa marginem ambiente.

Violet-colored Millepore.

This flat branching Millepore has round, erect branches, a little compreffed, and waved; there is a future with a line of pores encompassing the margin.

This Coral is of a fine violet-blue; it rifes from a fpread bafe about three inches high: befides the line of large pores that furrounds the margin, there are two rows of fmall pores, one on each fide of it. The furface, when magnified, is rough, like chagreen, and here and there upon it are clufters of little warts, like ftuds or bullulæ, which may probably be its ovaries. When the branches are broke acrofs, there appears in the middle a row of three or four large pores, furrounded by fmall ones. I had formerly a fpecimen of this Coral from W. Webber, Efq. F. R. S. and very lately fome compleat ones from Mr. Banks and Dr. Solander, that the divers had fifhed up about the iflands in the South Sea.

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5]. MILLEPORES THAT HAVE INTERNAL LONGITUDINAL Vessels, and send out Pores on all Sides from THEM.

18. Millepora truncata.

Truncated Millepore.

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Millepora caulescens didivaricatis, poris quincuncialibus operculatis.

This Millepore has a ftem, chotoma, ramis truncatis which fubdivides into wide fpread, blunt branches, that have pores with a cover to each, placed in a quincunx order.

TAB. 23. FIG. 1-8.

Phil. Transact. Vol. 57. tab. 17. fig. 1-8. Millepora truncata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1283.

This curious Millepore, called, by Donati, Miriozoon, is well defcribed by him in the 47th volume of the Philosophical Transactions, where he has shewn the polypelike fuckers extending themfelves, and fecuring themfelves in their retreat by a cover to each of their cells. 1 have further illustrated it in the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 57. by giving a diffection of it, to shew the cells all round communicating with the longitudinal veffels, that pass through the center of the Coral.

19. Millepora alcicornis.

Millepora ramofa folida compressa erecta polymorpha, poris sparfis objoletis.

Elk's-Horn Millepore.

This Millepore is of many fhapes; it is branched, folid, compressed, and erect, with many obfolete pores here and there on its furface.

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Millepora alcicornis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1282.

The pores of this Millepore, as it is generally brought to us, are fcarce vifible; but when they come from the Weft Indies, preferved in fpirits, they are very diffinguifhable, each appearing funk in a little cavity : in the dried fpecimens they appear level with the furface, and of two fizes, larger and fmaller. This is one of the commoneft of the Corals in the Weft Indies, and ufed principally for burning into lime. It is found in a variety of forms, fome with round irregular branches, others palmated, which end in taper figures, like fingers; as thefe branches grow up, they frequently unite together, forming new palmated branches that end in flender digitated forms. This Coral is often found invefting the dead ftems of the Gorgonias, where it appears like formany beads of a necklace.

Sir Hans Sloane, in his Hiftory of Jamaica, has given a figure of a bottle that was taken out of the fea incrufted with it. This is now to be feen among his curious collection of Corals in the British Museum.

TAB.12. 20. Millepora cærulea. F1G. 4.

> Millepora plana scabra, laminis crassis varie tortuosis subdivisa, apicibus sæpe lobatis, porisque substellatis cylindricis utrinque instructis.

Blue Millepore.

This Millepore is flat, rough, and divided into thick plates, bending different ways; the tops of thefe are fometimes lobated, and both fides are furnished with cylindrical pores, almost like stars.

TAB. 12. FIG. 4.

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This Coral grows in immenfe maffes in the Eaft-Indian Ocean; it is now and then brought us from Prince's Ifland, in the Straits of Sunda. The laminæ, or plates, are generally half an inch thick, and full of minute pores between the cellular ftarry cells, which both pafs from each furface to the central longitudinal veffels in nearly a perpendicular direction, and with which they are united. The furface of this Coral, when magnified, is full of little fharp points between the fmall pores and round the larger; and when we examine the larger ftellated pores, we find them furrowed on the infide to the bottom, which makes a proper transition from this genus to the Madrepores.

XIII. TUBIPORA.

Animal incognitum.

Stirps lapidea (Corallium) diffepimentis tranfverfis, tubulos perpendiculares connectentibus.

Tubuli articulati, invicem communicantes, fiphunculis continuis geniculatis, ad genicula radiatis.

PIPE CORAL.

The animal of the Pipe Coral is unknown.

The ftem is ftony (that is coral) with transverse partitions, uniting together the perpendicular tubes.

These tubes are jointed, communicating with one another by means of geniculated pipes, which pass through each of them, and are radiated at their joints.

1. Tubipora.

TAE.27. I. Tubipora musica.

Red Organ-pipe Coral.

Tubipora ruberrima, Septis transversis tubos perpendiculares connectentibus. Deep Red Pipe Coral, with transverse partitions, connecting perpendicular tubes.

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Tubipora musica. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1270.

There is but one species yet discovered of this genus; but there are many varieties, that are to be met with in the cabinets of the curious. Some of these are composed of longer, and fome of fhorter tubes; befides, the color fometimes varies from a deep red to an orange-color. They grow to the fize of a foot, often to two, three feet or more diameter. The manner of their growth is much in the fame form with the Aftroite Madrepores, or Star Stones; they adhere to a shell or rock at first, and from a fmall beginning extend themfelves into a hemifpherical form, their tubes appearing like fo many rays; and as they increase in length, in order to fill up the space between the tubes, new tubes arife upon the transverse partitions. The diameter of their tubes is, at a medium, about one-tenth of an inch, and in length they vary from a quarter to half an inch between the horizontal partitions.

When Mr. Banks and Dr. Solander faw them in vaft abundance on the coaft of New South Wales, they appeared upon the tide of ebb covered over with a ftriated gelatinous fubftance, which was fo extremely flippery, that it was dangerous to tread upon them. The animal that inhabits them appeared to fill both the tube and inner little pipe; but they had not time to examine them alive

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- alive in fea-water, from the dangerous fituation they were in themfelves.

They are likewife found in great plenty in the Red Sea, and among the Molucca islands, where the natives call them, in the Malay language, Batu-Swangi, that is, the Magicians Stone; for the inhabitants of those islands think they have a magical virtue in them, and, for that reason, hang them on trees, to keep thieves from the fruit; it being a prevailing opinion among them, that those who attempt to steal, where they are hung up, will be feized They are also with a breaking out full of red pimples. careful not to fit on them for fear of the ftrangury. On the contrary, the people of Java and Malacca give both old and young the powder of this Red Coral against the strangury. The inhabitants of the Celebes put some of the powder on any wound that is made by a venomous creature, and for this purpose always carry a small piece of it about them.

XIV. MADREPORA.

Animal modo simplex; modo ramoso-proliferum.

Stirps lapidea (Corallium) fæpe plantæ forma crefcens, cellulofa, apice vel fuperficie terminata cavitatibus lamellofo-ftriatis, polypiferis.

MADREPORE CORAL.

The Madrepore is an animal fometimes fingle, fometimes fending forth its progeny in the form of branches.

The ftem or mafs is of a ftony nature (Coral) often growing in the form of a plant, full of cells, which are either on the top or on its furface, and end in lamellated cavities, to which their polype-like animals belong. U By By Madrepore Corals, we mean fuch Corals as have their cells difposed in a radiated form, like ftars.

Imperatus was the first who had any idea of their belonging to the animal kingdom : this hint he took from the observations he had made at several times on the Madrepora ramea, or great branched Cinamon Coral, which at length fully confirmed his opinion.

Rumphius defcribes the animal of the Fungus Saxeus, or Madrepora Fungites Linn. fo diffinctly, that there remains no doubt but that he faw it very clearly. He fays, while it is alive in the fea, it is covered with a thick vifcid matter, like ftarch : that the more elevated folds or plaits have borders like the denticulated edges of needlework lace : that thefe are covered with innumerable oblong veficles, formed of the fame gelatinous fubstance, which appear alive under water, and may be observed to move like an infect: that as foon as the Coral was taken out of the fea, and exposed to the air, all the mucous part, with the little veficles, fhrunk in between the erect little plates, or lamella, and difappeared; and, in a fhort time, like the Medufæ, or Sea Jellies, melted away, leaving behind them a most difagreeable fetid finell; fo that it is clear. from hence that he, before any of the late discoveries, was acquainted with the animal nature of the Madrepores. Befides, he has plainly told us, that not only the feveral. Corals of the East Indies, but also all the other Zoophytes there, when they are fresh, are possessed by a gelatinous animal of a fifty nature.

Dr. Peyfonell afterwards confirmed thefe difcoveries, and confiders the Madrepore Corals in particular as a meer aggregate of the shells of this animal, which he fays is a species of the Urtica marina; but it is probable he was mistaken in the animal, as will appear hereafter from the more more exact obfervations, and an accurate figure of the animal by Dr. Donati. Dr. Peyfonell has great merit in fome things; but many of his difcoveries feem to proceed more from general conclusions, taken for granted from fome particular difcoveries, than from judicious and careful experiments. In his account of Sponges, he first makes them the fabric of the Urtica marina; in another trial he makes them the fabric of little infects, that walk to and fro in the labyrinth of the tubes, and which taken out and placed near them, return into their holes again : but later experiments fhew, that he was entirely mistaken in both. See the account of Sponges in the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 55. pag. 280.

Dr. Donati has most clearly explained the nature and formation of one of this genus of Madrepores by deferibing and delineating the animal, as we find it in Phil. Tranf. vol. 47. p. 105. tab. 4. He observes, p. 106. that " as the figure of this animal bears no refemblance to the " Urtica marina, he cannot fee how one could class the " polypus of the Madrepora with the Urtica." Perhaps it may be neceffary to observe, that as the internal ftructure of the cells of many species of this genus differs in the appearance and disposition of their lamellæ, fo we may reasonably suppose, that the species of the particular animals that form them, may vary from one another. But we must leave the particular figures of these animals to future discoveries.

Laftly, nothing can demonstrate more clearly the great affinity there is in the growth of Corals with that of shells, than to compare the circles of increase in the shell of the Limpet, or Patella, with those in the under part of the Madrepora Fungites. In the Limpet, the animal is under the shell; in the Coral, it is upon the shell. How absurd, then, is it to suppose that Corals U_2 compounded

compounded of many of fuch animals, each upon its cell, do vegetate as plants, becaufe they grow up together in ramified forms.

Peyfonel and Linnæus are both of opinion, that the animals of the Lithophyta, or Corals, conftruct their own cells by depositing under them a coralline matter. See Syft. Nat. pag. 1270.

[1]. MADREPORÆ SIMPLICES.

Corallium fimplex. Stella unica.

Тав. 28. Fig. 1—4 1. Madrepora Patella.

Madrepora simplex acaulis, lamellis latere muricatis subtrichotomis : tertiis indivisis majoribus.

TAB. 28. FIG. 1-4.

Lamellæ omnes margine denticulatæ, latere valde muricatæ, duæ trichotomæ : lamellula intermedia indivifa craffiufcula : tertia reliquis multo major, a centro ad marginem continua, indivifa. Juniores planæ, adultæ convexæ.

This little Coral is an inch and a half diameter, and a quarter of an inch thick: when I first faw it, I took it to be the Madrepora Fungites in its younger state; but upon examining it strictly, and the manner of its growing, such as the regular subdivisions of its lamellæ at particular distances in a trichotomous order, together with their fides being remarkably granulated; besides, the plates, or lamellæ, of the younger kinds of Madrepora Fungites from the East Indies are much more elevated, lefs numerous, smooth on their fides, and their edges dentated dentated or crenated; fo that if it is not a diffinet species, it is certainly a variety of the following.

This was found in the Mediterranean Sea.

2. Madrepora Fungites.

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Madrepora simplex acaulis convexa, lamellis latere subasperis indivisis : alternis minoribus subincompletis.

TAB. 28. FIG. 5. 6.

Madrepora Fungites. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1273. Pall. Zooph. 281. n. 165.

Lamellæ omnes margine valde denticulatæ, latere autem vix exafperatæ; tubercula enim minutiflima funt. Lamellæ majores continuæ a centro ad peripheriam; minores fæpiffime centrum non adtingunt. *Centrum* oblongum.

The animal of this curious Coral is defcribed by Rumphius, who faw it alive, as I have already mentioned in my remarks on this genus. Dr. Linnæus obferves, that Forfkohl defcribes the animal of it to be of the Priapus (or Actinia) kind, and, in the fame manner as a fhellfifh, forms its fhell under itfelf.

This Coral is met with in great abundance in the Red Sea, and the East-Indian Ocean; it is frequently found of five or fix inches diameter, and often of a milk-white color.

In many curious collections, fuch as those of the Dutchefs Dowager of Portland and Dr. Fothergill, there are many young ones adhering to the old ones, with large rifing lamellæ, as in the old ones.

3. Madrepora

3. Madrepora Cyathus.

Madrepora simplex clavato-turbinata, basi attenuata, stella obconica : centro prominulo exeso duplicato.

Тав. 28. FIG. 7.

Marfigl. Hift. tab. 28. fig. 128. No. 11. Fungites feu Caryophyllus marinus. Planc. de conch. Ed. 2. pag. 128. tab. app. 18. fig. M.

Varietas corallio cylindraceo, basi vix attenuata.

This Coral is dragged up in great abundance by the coral-fifhers on the fouthern coaft of France and Italy : it is always found fingle without branches, and generally adhering to a piece of Red Coral. It is of a white color, and very hard. The lamellæ are forty in number, with as many intermediate fmall ones; the latter extend to the margin, but do not reach to the bottom of the ftar, like the larger ones. The common or middle fize of this Coral is about two inches long, and three quarters of an inch diameter in the broadeft part.

This is taken by fome authors to be the beginning of the Madrepora ramea; but the intermediate lamellæ of the latter in a crofs fection appear branched; befides the M. ramea is of a much loofer texture, deeper channelled on the outfide, and of a ferrugineous color.

There are many other kinds of the Single Star Madrepores found foffil in England, France, and Sweden; but I fhall confine myfelf to the defcription of only fuch as I have met with that are recent.

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FIG. 7.

[2]. MADREPORÆ FASCICULATÆ.

Corallium ramofum. Stellæ terminales.

4. Madrepora Anthophyllites.

Madrepora fasciculata, ramis clavatis corniformibus lævigatis subflexuosis binc coalescentibus.

Тав. 29.

Anthophyllum faxeum. Rumph. amb. 6. pag. 245. tab. 87. fig. 4.

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5. Madrepora fascicularis.

Madrepora fa/ciculata, ramis fimplicibus clavatis distinEtis fastigiatis basi coalitis; lamellis extra marginem produEtis.

Тав. 30.

Madrepora fascicularis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1278. Madrepora cariophyllites. Pallas Zooph. 313. n. 183.

6. Madrepora flexuofa:

Тав.31. Fig. 5.6.

Madrepora fasciculata, ramis cylindraceis striatis scabriusculis flexuosis binc coalescentibus, stellis concavis, lamellis æqualibus.

Тав. 31. Fig. 5. 6.

Madrepora flexuofa. Pall. Zooph. 315. n. 184. Madrepora cæspitosa. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1278. Madrepora flexuosa. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1278. forte eadem margine stellarum in fossilibus detrito? Centrum exefum.

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7. Madrepora tibicina.

Madrepora fasciculata, ramis cylindraceis : ramulis subclavatis, stellis obconicis profundis, lamellis nonnullis latioribus.

Centra subsimplicia. Lamellæ quaternæ vel sexternæ reliquis multo latiores.

[3]. MADREPORÆ DICHOTOMÆ.

Corallium dichotomum. A. Stellæ terminales.

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8. Madrepora fastigiata.

Madrepora dichotoma subfassigiata, ramis subdistinctis, stellis omnibus terminalibus subregularibus : annotinis compresso-duplicatis.

Тав. 33.

Madrepora fastigiata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1280. Pall. Zooph. 301. n. 175.

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Lamellæ in speciminibus completis denticulatæ sunt, parcius autem quam in M. angulosa.

9. Madrepora angulofa.

Madrepora subdichotoma subfastigiata, stellis omnibus terminalibus irregularibus sinuato-flexuosis, centris exessis.

α. ramis erectis ftrictis muricatis faftigiatis. Hæc fere regulariter dichotoma.

B. ramis divergentibus brevibus.

Madrepora angulofa. Pall. Zooph. 299. n. 174. y. ramis y. ramis superne dilatatis compressis sinuoso-flexuosis TAB.34. subconglomeratis.

Тав. 34.

Hæ non regulariter dichotomæ, sæpe trichotomæ, præcipue var. β .

10. Madrepora Carduus.

TAB.35.

Madrepora dichotoma, ramis sulcato-muricatis, stellis simplicibus regularibus, lamellis serrato-dentatis.

Тав. 35.

Seb. mus. 3. tab. 109. fig. 2.

Juniores, omnino uti fimplices apparent.

B. Madrepora lacera. Pallas Zooph. 298. n. 173.

B. Stellæ e dichotomia apicibusque ramorum.

11. Madrepora axillaris.

TAB.13. Fig. 5.

Madrepora dichotoma, ramis distinctis divaricatis, stellis terminalibus turbinatis; axillaribus compress; centris dilatatis exess.

TAB. 13. FIG. 5.

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Lamellæ infra medium quafi additamento annotino incraffatæ.

12. Madrepora prolifera.

Madrepora subdichotoma subprolifera, stellis axillaribus terminalibusque similibus, centris simplicibus, ramis subclavatis hinc coalitis.

Madrepora prolifera. Pall. Zooph. 307. n. 178. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1281.

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a. ramis

α. ramis majoribus magis diftinctis.
β. ramis minoribus magis coalitis.
Corallii officinalis fragmenta. Pall. Zooph. 309. not.

[4]. MADREPORÆ FRUTICULOSÆ.

Corallium caulescens, ramosum, striatum. Stellæ distinctæ, laterales, remotæ.

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13. Madrepora virginea.

Madrepora fruticulosa subdichotoma ramosissima, ramis tortuosis coalescentibus, stellis sparsis prominulis.

Тав. 36.

Madrepora virginea. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1281. Pallas Zooph. 310. n. 180.

Centrum latiusculum, exesum, planum.

14. Madrepora mammillaris.

Madrepora fruticulosa dichotoma, ramis attenuatis, stellis quincuncialibus eminentibus conicis regularibus extus striatis.

Centrum parvum, exefum.

15. Madrepora oculata.

Madrepora fruticulosa ramosissima subglabra, ramis flexuosis: flexuris exsertis stelliferis, stellis profundis.

Madrepora oculata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1281. Pallas Zooph. 308. n. 179.

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In congerie hujus corallii sæpe cavernæ subtubulosæ existunt. Laminæ extra margines stellarum decurrentes.

16. Madrepora hirtella.

Madrepora fruticulosa subdichotoma, ramis divaricatis, stellis subdistichis prominentibus, lamellis exsertis inæqualibus, centro convexo exeso.

Тав. 37.

Madrepora birtella. Pall. Zooph. 313. n. 182.

17. Madrepora ramea.

TAB.38.

Madrepora fruticulosa ferruginea, ramulis obliquis subpinnatis adscendentibus cylindraceis stella terminatis.

Тав. 38.

Madrepora ramea. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1280. Pall. Zooph. 302. n. 176.

18. Madrepora rosea.

Madrepora fruticulosa ramosissima rosea, ramis verruculosis attenuatis, stellis inæqualiter sparsis : inferioribus rarissimis.

Madrepora rosea. Pallas Zooph. 312. n. 181.

Habitat in Oceano Indiæ occidentalis ad infulam St. Domingo.

19. Madrepora purpurascens.

Madrepora fruticulosa ramosissima, ramis divaricatis subdistichis, ramulis rugulosis porosis, stellis distichis margine prominulis.

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Habitat in Oceano circa Infulam Dominicæ (J. Greg).

20. Madrepora erubescens.

Madrepora fruticulosa ramosissima, ramis divaricatis distichis attenuatis, ramulis slexuosis striatis, stellis margine incrassatis exsertis.

Habitat in Oceano Indiæ occidentalis prope Infulam S^{ti}. Vincentii (J. Greg).

Specimina visa Gorgoniis adnata erant. Rami inferiores crassi, cortice incarnato induti; ramuli autem albi.

[5]. MADREPORÆ EXPLANATÆ.

Corallium indivisum, dilatatum, superne tantummodo stelliserum.

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21. Madrepora aspera.

Madrepora foliacea explanata subaggregata, stellis elevatis subdistinctis, lamellis asperato-spinulosis, ambulacris concavis.

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Habitat in Oceano Indiæ orientalis.

22. Madrepora scabrofa.

Madrepora foliacea explanata concatenata, lamellis laceratis spinuloso-frondosis circa centra elevatis, ambulacris planiusculis.

Habitat in Oceano Indiæ orientalis. Centra latiuscula, exesa, plana.

23. Madrepora

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23. Madrepora undata.

Madrepora foliacea explanata concatenata, stellis serialibus, ambulacris intra stellas elevatis : carinis rotundatis crassis.

Тав. 40.

Corallium latum, planum, elegantissimum, album, subtus subtilissime striatum. Stellæ oblongæ: centra oblonga, subsoluta, elevata. Ambulacra extra stellas depressa, planiuscula, tandem intra striem stellarum elevata in Carinas crassas rotundatas.

24. Madrepora ampliata.

Тав.41. Fig.1.2.

Madrepora foliacea explanata concatenata, ambulacris carinatis angustis acutiusculis, corallio subtus subdichotomo striato.

TAB. 41. FIG. 1. 2.

25. Madrepora cucullata.

TAB.42.

Madrepora foliacea explanata concatenata, stellis subserialibus profundis, ambulacris acute carinatis subflexuosis.

Тав. 42.

Primo intuitu M. Licheni Similis, distinctissima autem quod subtus absque stellis subtilissime striata.

26. Madrepora cinerascens.

TAB.43.

Madrepora subfoliacea explanata aggregata, subtus aceroso-scabrosa, stellis remotiusculis elevatis, ambulacris scabross.

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Corallium e cœruleo-cinerafcens, craffius reliquis explanatis, facile dignofcitur ex tuberculis acerofis ambulacra et fuperficiem internam exasperantibus.

[6]. MADREPORÆ COMPOSITÆ.

Corallium undique adspersum Stellis pluribus annexis, Ambularo præditis.

A. CONCATENATÆ.

Corallium indivifum. Stellæ invicem conjunctæ. Lamellæ fine Diffepimento continuatæ.

27. Madrepora cristata.

FIG.3.4. Madrepora foliaceo-cristata concatenata, stellis seriablius centro impressis, ambulacris explanatis planiusculis.

> TAB. 31. FIG. 3. 4. Madrepora Agaricites. B. Pallas Zooph. 288. Habitat in Oceano pacifico, Indiæque orientalis.

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28. Madrepora Lactuca.

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Madrepora Lactuca. Pallas Zooph. 289. n. 168.

The figure was taken from a specimen in the British Museum.

29. Madrepora

29. Madrepora Ficoides.

Madrepora foliaceo-cristata concatenata, stellis sparsis, ambulacris lateralibus planiusculis; marginalibus acute carinatis, lamellis foliaceis.

Habitat in Oceano pacifico.

30. Madrepora acerofa.

Madrepora foliaceo-cristata concatenata, stellis sparsis, ambulacris lateralibus planis; terminalibus subcarinatis, lamellis acerosis.

31. Madrepora Pileus.

TAE. 45.

Madrepora oblonga convexa, centris omnibus dorfalibus concatenatis, lamellis majoribus abruptis; minoribus continuis fubanastomosantibus.

TAB. 4.5.

Madrepora Pileus. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1273. Habitat in Oceano Indiæ orientalis.

In the furrow along the middle is a line of ftars, with their lamellæ difpofed on each fide, like parallel pinnæ, or rays; under thefe on each fide are other rows of ftars, as it were, linked together, with their rays nearly parallel, and pointing upwards and downwards; the margin all round is terminated by fharp erect lamellæ.

32. Madrepora Agaricites.

Madrepora foliaceo-cristata concatenata, stellis stexuososubserialibus obconicis subangulatis, ambulacris acute carinatis rectius func coalescentibus.

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Madrepora Agaricites. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1274.

This Coral is of a cinereous color, and is found, in irregular maffes of five or fix inches diameter, among the West-India islands.

33. Madrepora Lichen.

Madrepora foliaceo-cristata concatenata, stellis serialibus obconicis rotundatis, ambulacris carinato-foliaceis acutissimis substexuosis obliquatis.

Habitat in Oceano pacifico.

B. CONGLOMERATÆ.

Corallium indivifum.

Stellæ conjunctæ, elongatæ, finuoso-flexuosæ, dissepimento præditæ.

Тав.46. Fig.3.4.

34. Madrepora labyrinthica.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus basi dilatatis longis, dissepimentis exessis æqualibus latis, ambulacris simplicibus.

Тав. 46. Fig. 3. 4.

Madrepora labyrinthica. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1274.

Madrepora mæandrites. Pall. Zooph. 292. n. 171.

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35. Madrepora finuofa.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus patulis flexuosis brevibus, disseptimentis inæqualibus exessis, ambulacris subduplicatis, lamellis denticulatis.

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Habitat in Oceano Indiæ occidentalis. (J. Greg.) Varietas anfractibus amplioribus et toto corallio groffiore.

36. Madrepora areolata.

Тав.47. Fig.4.5.

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Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus dilatatis, dissepimentis exessis subinæqualibus, ambulacris duplicatis : binc dilatatis, lamellis denticulato-crenulatis.

TAB. 47. FIG. 4. 5.

Madrepora areolata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1274. Pall. Zooph. 295. n. 171. B.

Varietas ambulacris angustioribus et magis elevatis.

37. Madrepora mæandrites.

Madrepora conglomerata, disseptimentis simplicibus subsolutis, lamellis incrassatis æqualibus remotis intus attenuatis subintegris.

TAB. 48. FIG. 1.

Madrepora mæandrites. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1274. Madrepora labyrinthica. Pall. Zooph. 297. n. 172.

38. Madrepora exefa.

Тав.49. Fig. 3.

TAB.48. Fig. 1.

Madrepora conglomerata, stellis reticulato-concatenatis, interstitiis abruptis subconicis acutis.

TAB. 49. FIG. 3.

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Madrepora exesa. Pall. Zooph. 290. n. 169.

Habitat in Oceano pacifico.

39. Madrepora

Тав. 50. Fig. 2.

39. Madrepora abdita.

Madrepora subconglomerata, anfractibus stelliformibus angulatis obconicis, ambulacris simplicibus, lamellis angustis crenulato-denticulatis.

TAB. 50. FIG. 2.

Forte varietas Madrepora favosæ.

Тав.48. Fig. 2.

40. Madrepora phrygia.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus longiffimis angustis, ambulacris perpendicularibus simplicibus, disseptimentis simplicibus laminosis lobulatis, lamellis remotiusculis.

TAB. 48. FIG. 2.

Habitat in Oceano pacifico. Variat ambulacris rectis et flexuofis.

41. Madrepora repanda.

Madrepora conglomerata, ambulacris incrassatis, dissepimentis simplicibus subsolutis, lamellis numerosis: plurimis intus incrassatis.

42. Madrepora ambigua.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus stelliformibus flexuosisque, ambulacris incrassatis, disseptimentis simplicibus crassiusculis, lamellis distantibus.

43. Madrepora

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43. Madrepora dædalea.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus profundis brevibus, dissepimentis subexessis laceris, lamellis serrato-dentatis, ambulacris perpendicularibus.

TAB. 46. FIG. 1.

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44. Madrepora gyrofa.

TAB. 51.

Madrepora conglomerata cellulosa, ambulacris duplicatis foliaceis, disseptimentis simplicibus, lamellis foliaceis æqualibus.

TAB. 51.

Seb. Muf. 3. tab. 109. fig. 9. 10. Corallium cæteris lævius, cellulis numerofis cavernofum.

45. Madrepora clivofa.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus basi angustatis, disseptimentis subexess æqualibus, ambulacris simplicibus crassiusculis, lamellis alternis abbreviatis.

Habitat in Oceano Indiæ occidentalis. Corallium rotundatum, nodulis magnis inæquale.

46. Madrepora Cerebrum.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus basi subrotundatis tortuosis longissimis, disseptimentis exessis æqualibus, ambulacris simplicibus angustis.

Corallium rotundatum, æquale. Y 2

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TAB.46.

FIG. 1.

47. Madrepora involuta.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus basi dilatatis brevibus, dissepimentis exessis subæqualibus angustis, ambulacris simplicibus.

48. Madrepora implicata.

Madrepora conglomerata, anfractibus rotundatis subperpendicularibus, disseptimentis exessis æqualibus latis, ambulacris duplicatis latis.

C. Aggregatæ.

Corallium plerumque indivisum, rarissime lobatum. Stellæ distinctæ.

Ambulacra porulofa, tuberculofa.

49. Madrepora spongiosa.

Madrepora aggregata foliacea subexplanata, ambulacris confragosis supra obtusatis; subtus planis, stellis infundibuliformibus profundis inæqualibus.

TAB. 52.

50. Madrepora foliofa.

Madrepora aggregata foliacea subexplanata, ambulacris superne confragosis verruculosis; inferne planiusculis, stellis æqualibus parvis.

Тав. 52.

Madrepora foliosa. Pall. Zooph. 333. n. 196.

51. Madrepora

51. Madrepora poculata.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis obconicis, marginibus acutis, binc inde remotis, interstitiis lævibus, lamellis undique granulosis.

Pall. Zooph 319. n. 186. B.

Ellis Corallin. tab. 32. fig. A 1. A 3. mala e fpecimine detrito.

52. Madrepora stellulata.

Тав. 53. Fig. 3.4.

Madrepora aggregata, cylindris stellarum teretibus distantibus æqualibus margine elevatis, interstitiis planiusculis scabriusculis.

TAB. 53. FIG. 3. 4.

53. Madrepora Aftroites.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis confettis impression, interstitiis porosis, lamellis acerosis scabriusculis.

Madrepora Astroites. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1276. Madrepora radians. Pallas Zooph. 322. n. 190.

54. Meldrepora nodulofa.

Madrepora aggrezata, stellis confertis obconicis, interstitiis lamellisque acerosis scabriusculis, corallio subnoduloso. Seba Mus. 3. tab. 112. fig. 18.

55. Madrepora muficalis.

Madrepora aggregata, cylindris stellarum striatis distantitus combinatis membranis transversis.

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Madrepora musicalis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1278. Madrepora Organum. Pall. Zooph. 317. n. 185.

56. Madrepora denticulata.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis inæqualibus, lamellis margine elevatis: majoribus basi processu auctis, interstitiis sulco exaratis.

TAB. 49. FIG. 1.

57. Madrepora faveolata.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis subangulatis multiradiatis; parietibus hinc inde subduplicatis.

Тав. 53. Fig. 5. 6.

TAB. 54. FIG. 3-5

Тав. 53. Fig. 5.6.

58. Madrepora Retepora.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis angulatis, lamellis filamentosis, parietibus reticulatis denticulatis.

TAB. 54. Fig. 3-5.

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59. Madrepora rotulosa.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis cylindrace is pauciradiatis, lamellis circa marginem erectis acutis : baji spinula erecta auctis.

Тав. 55.

60. Madrepora

Тав.49. Fig. 1. MADREPORA.

60. Madrepora interstincta.

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Madrepora aggregata, stellis cylindraceis profundis distinctis, interstitiis porosis, corallio subexplanato duplicato.

Тав. 56.

Madrepora interstincta. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1276.

Millepora cærulea. Pall. Zooph. 256. n. 158.

61. Madrepora favosa.

TAB. 50. Fig. 1.

Madrepora aggregata conglomerata, anfractibus substelliformibus angulatis patulis, parietibus simplicibus, lamellis dentatis margine connatis elevatis.

TAB. 50. FIG. 1.

Madrepora favosa. Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1275. Madrepora favites. Pall. Zooph. 319. n. 187.

62. Madrepora cavata.

Madrepora aggregata subconglomerata, anfractibus stelliformibus angulatis, parietibus simplicibus angustis, lamellis denticulatis.

Forte varietas M. favosæ.

63. Madrepora bulliens.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis distantibus teretibus oblongisve inæqualibus margine elevatis, interstitiis radiatorugulosis concaviusculis.

64. Madrepora

64. Madrepora Ananas.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis subangulatis inæqualibus multiradiatis : marginibus convexis lamellosis, lamellis denticulato-crenatis, interstitiis concavis.

TAB. 47. FIG. 6.

Madrepora Ananas. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1275. Pall. Zooph. 321. n. 189.

65. Madrepora Hyades.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis subconfertis obconicis rotundis subangulatisque, parietibus crassis porosis, centris planiusculis convexisque.

Тав.49. Fig. 2.

66. Madrepora fiderea.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis confertis rotundis subangulatisque, parietibus crassis convexiusculis, lamellis alternis margine subconnatis, centris simplicibus.

TAB. 49. FIG. 2.

Тав.47. Fig. 7.

67. Madrepora galaxea.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis subconfertis impressis, parietibus crassis planiusculis subdistinctis, lamellis tenuissin, centris subexess.

TAB. 47. FIG. 7.

Lamellæ quaternæ ad centrum extenfæ, tres intermediæ prope basin conniventes.

68. Madrepora

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Тав.47. Fig. 6.
68. Madrepora Pleiades.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis subteretibus, marginibus acutis elevatis, interstitiis concavis læviusculis binc cavernosiusculis.

TAB. 53. FIG. 7. 8.

69. Madrepora annularis.

TAB.53. Fig.1.2.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis teretibus æqualibus margine elevatis, interstitiis plano-concavis radiatis.

TAB. 53. FIG. 1. 2.

Madrepora Aftroites. Pallas Zooph. 320. n. 188. Forte varietas minor M. radiatæ.

70. Madrepora papillofa.

Madrepora subaggregata, stellis cylindraceo-papillosi, marginibus incrassatis rotundatis obliquis.

Valde affinis Madreporæ muricatæ, et forte illius primordium; papillæ ejufdem figuræ, fed fimplici ordine difpofitæ et contiguæ.

71. Madrepora radiata.

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Madrepora aggregata, stellis cylindraceis margine elevatis, interstitiis latis concavis sulcato-radiatis.

TAB. 47. FIG. 8.

Pall. Zooph. 321. n. 188. varietas e museo D^{ni.} Cramer.

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Varietas

Тав.53.

M A D R E P O R A.

Varietas major marginibus stellarum valde elevatis, sulcis interstitiorum profundioribus.

72. Madrepora latebrofa.

Madrepora aggregata, stellis subteretibus multiradiatis margine elevatis, interstitiis radiato-sulcatis subcoarEtatis inæqualibus.

Sloan. Jam. I. tab. 21. fig. 4.

D. RAMULOSÆ.

Corallium ramofum. Stellæ diftinctæ. Ambulacra tuberculofa, porulofa.

73. Madrepora damicornis.

Madrepora ramulosa ramosissima, ramis attenuatis subdivisis, stellis sparsim crebris cæcis ciliatis.

Madrepora damicornis. Pall. Zooph. 334. n. 197. y.

74. Madrepora digitata.

Madrepora ramulosa, ramis clavato-complanatis, stellis sparsis sexradiatis : margine superiore porrecto fornicato.

Seb. Muf. 3. tab. 109. fig. 11. Madrepora digitata. Pall. Zooph. 326. n. 193.

Fornices stellarum sæpe detritæ.

Varietas et forte distincta species in interstitiis inter stellas lineam habet elevatam, quasi limites indigitantem. 75. Madrepora M A D R E P O R A.

75. Madrepora feriata.

Madrepora ramulosa, ramis attenuatis acuminatis, stellis longitudinaliter seriatis : margine superiore porrecto fornicato ciliato.

TAB. 31. FIG. 1. 2.

Madrepora seriata. Pall. Zooph. 336. n. 198.

76. Madrepora muricata.

TAB.57.

Madrepora ramulosa, ramulis attenuatis, stellis prominentibus cylindraceis oblique truncatis.

Тав. 57.

Madrepora muricata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1279. Pall. Zooph. 327. n. 149.

a. ramis longis acuminatis absque ullis ramulis parvis.

Corallium album porofum maximum muricatum. Sloan. Jam. I. p. 51. tab. 18. fig. 3.

Seb. Mul. 3. tab. 114. fig. 1.

B. ramis divaricatis, ramulis sparsis brevibus acuminatis divergentibus.

 γ . ramis ramulifque adfcendentibus rectis fubæqualibus cæspitosis.

A. ramis inferioribus decumbentibus anastomosantibus, ramulis adscendentibus acutis brevibus.

Madrepora muricata B. Pallas Zooph. l. c.

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 ϵ . ramis bafi in palmam coalitis, ramulis divergentibus. Madrepora muricata γ . Pallas Zooph. l. c.

ζ. ramis ramulifque numerofis divergentibus, cylindris ftellarum turbinatis margine incraffatis rotundatis.

Seb. Mul. 3. tab. 108. fig. 6.

77. Madrepora

Тав.31. Fig.1.2.

MADREPORA.

77. Madrepora porites.

Madrepora ramulosa, ramis clavato-complanatis, stellis contiguis (lamellarum loco) cuspidato-tuberculatis.

TAB. 47. FIG. 1.

Madrepora porites. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1279. Pall. Zooph. 324. n. 192.

78. Madrepora verrucofa.

Madrepora ramulosa ramosissima, ramis obtusatis, ramulis numerosissimis simplicibus verrucæsormibus, stellis sparsis crebris cæcis ciliatis.

Madrepora damicornis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1279. Pall. Zooph. 334. n. 197. α. β.

a. Ramis subteretibus.

B. Ramis dilatatis, lobatis.

79. Madrepora limitata.

Madrepora ramulosa, ramis subcomplanatis, stellis sparsis sexradiatis margine æqualibus.

Interstitia scabra. Lineæ in interstitiis subreticulatæ, limites inter stellas formant.

80. Madrepora Botryotes.

Madrepora ramulosa, ramis coacervatis crassis fastigiatis obtusis, ambulacris reticulato-confragosis.

81. Madrepora

TAB.47. Fig. 1. 81. Madrepora granofa.

Madrepora subramulosa cristata subdigitata, ramis obtusis, ambulacris omnibus acute carinatis undulatis, stellis acerosis irregularibus.

XV. ALCYONIUM.

Animal plantæ forma crescens.

Stirps fixa, carnofa, gelatinofa, spongiofa vel coriacea.

Epidermis cellulofa, poris stellatis seu osculis pertusa,

Polypos tentaculatos oviparos exserentibus.

ALCYONIUM

Is an animal growing in the form of a plant.

The flem is fixt, and is either fleshy, gelatinous, spongy, or a leather-like substance;

having an outward fkin full of cells, with ftar-like openings, or little mouths, which fend forth

Polype fuckers, through which the eggs are produced.

Formerly many of those irregular marine masses, that could not properly be reduced to any genus, were called Alcyoniums; and these were supposed by old authors to be made up of the froth of the sea. Even in these more enlightened times many errors have crept into their arrangement, and several sponges have been very improperly placed under this title, for want of attending to the proper definition of the genus: for my part, I shall consider those only belonging to this genus that agree with the foregoing character, except one that is commonly called Alcyonium Schlosserianum, which, though it is covered covered with ftars on its outward skin, does not fend out the polype fuckers here described : but at present, till a new genus is constituted for it, I shall rank it with this. The reader, when he comes to confider this animal, and attend to the defcription, will be better able to judge of the propriety of this remark. In looking over the Alcyoniums of fuch authors as have lately wrote on the fubject of Zoophytes, I find fome of them more probably belonging to the Gorgonias, particularly fuch as have an internal harder part, which is undoubtedly the bone or fupport of the animal; and these are very nearly allied to the Gorgonia fuberofa and Gorgonia Briareus, which I could not avoid on this account placing under that genus. The fpecies that I mean are the Alcyonium arboreum Linn. or great Norway Sea Shrub, and probably the Alcyonium exos Linn. or Manus Latronis of Marfigli. If thefe are cut perpendicularly through the middle, I believe they will appear to have a harder part within, very different from the true character of the genus of Alcyonium. Others that are ranged among the Alcyoniums approach more to the genus of Sponges, particularly to those that are composed of small spiculæ, which are intimately blended with their gelatinous flesh; but these fpiculæ in fome are remarkably difposed on the furface, where they furround internally the openings or mouths of the animal. I believe no polype-like fuckers have as yet appeared to proceed from thefe mouths, when the animal was alive, nor any remains when dry; nor have they those ftarry cells on the furface, which are a diffinguishing character of this genus. Donati, who had an opportunity of examining most of these bodies alive, never discovered any polypes on the furface of either the Alcyonium Lyncurium Linn. or Tethya Sphærica Donat. Adriat. tab. 10. or the Alcyonium 3

Alcyonium Cydonium Linn. or Alcyonium prim. of Donat. Adriat. tab. 9. The Ficus of Marfigli, which has been introduced as an Alcyonium, is evidently a Sponge. The form is like a fig, for which reafon it was fo called by him.

1. Alcyonium digitatum.

Dead Man's Toes

Alcyonium albidum carnofo-fpongiofum lobatum, ofculis stellatis undique notatum. Is a whitifh fubftance between flefh and fponge, divided into lobes, the furface of which is covered with little mouths in the form of ftars.

Dead Man's Hand, or Dead Man's Toes. Ellis Corallin. pag. 83. tab. 32. fig. a. A. A 2.

Alcyonium Manus marina. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 53. tab. 20. fig. 10–13.

Alcyonium digitatum. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1294.

Nothing can better illustrate the internal form and manner in which both the Astroite Madrepores and the common officinal Sponge grow, than a perpendicular fection of this Alcyonium. It is very commonly found on the Kentish coast, near the Isle of Sheppey, where likewise there is another variety, of a deep yellow color, which is frequently to be met with.

2. Alcyonium Pulmonaria.

Alcyonium pulpofum lividum lobato-compressum, ofculis stellatis minimis obductum.

Sea Lungs.

This is of a fleshy substance and deep yellowish color; it is divided into flattish lobes, which are covered with minute stars.

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Sea-Fig. Ellis Corallin. pag. 82. tab. 17. fig. b. B. Alcyonium Ficus. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1295.

The name of Sea-Fig was given to this fubftance by the fifthermen on the coaft of Kent (where I found it) on account of the internal ftructure, the cells and their contents looking like the feeds in the fig, and not from the external form, as I have already mentioned in my Effay on Corallines. This name of Sea-Fig has occafioned a miftake in fome late authors, who have confounded it with the Sea-Fig of Count Marfigli, tab. 16. fig. 79. which is a true Sponge.

3. Alcyonium gelatinofum.

Pudding Weed.

Alcyonium luteum gelatinosum polymorphum. This Alcyonium is of a yellowish color, and of a gelatinous substance. It is found in various irregular forms.

Sea ragged Staff. Ellis Corallin. pag. 87. tab. 32. fig. d. D.

Alcyonium gelatinosum. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1295. Fucus gelatinosus. Hudf. Flora Angl. pag. 471.

This is found at particular feasons full of minute papillæ, which fend forth polypes, and properly comes under this class. In the month of August, 1752, there was fo great a quantity of it driven near Sheerness, in the Isle of Sheppey, as to clog the fishermen's nets, and interrupt their fishing.

4. Alcyonium Schlofferi.

Schloffer's Alcyonium.

Alcyonium carnofum This confifts of a lead-colividum afterifcis luteis, radiis obtufis, ornatum. This confifts of a lead-colored flefhy fubstance, adorned with yellow stars, that have obtufe rays.

Uva marina. Rondelet. hift. aquatil. 2. pag. 130. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 49. pag. 449. tab. 14.

Borlafe Nat. Hift. of Cornwall, pag. 254. tab. 25. fig. 1-4.

This most curious fea production grows on fucus's and ftones on the coast of Cornwall and Wales.

We have but an imperfect figure and account of it in Rondeletius; but my worthy friend the late Dr. Schloffer has given us a very good figure and description of it in The Rev. Dr. William the Philosophical Transactions. Borlafe, in his Natural Hiftory of Cornwall, has likewife given us a figure of two kinds; one with a hole at each end of the rays, befides the central hole in the epidermis; and one with only one hole in each ray, and that on the broad part, which he takes to be the fame with Dr. Schloffer's; but I find that the two kinds, mentioned by Dr. Borlafe, are one and the fame animal, and this appears very clearly from a specimen sent me from North Wales, by my ingenious friend Thomas Pennant, Efq. where the ftars on it answer to both kinds; for some of the rays have only one hole, which is on the obtufe end, but the greatest number of the ftars have a fmall hole at the narrow end of the rays which turns up, befides the hole on the broad part : fometimes these holes at the small end join all together in a circle, and the opening of the outward skin, or A a epidermis,

epidermis, exactly covers them, as in the magnified figure at C. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 49. tab. 14.

It appears from Dr. Borlafe's account, that though there were fibres fuppofed to move in the great hole in the center, yet that the holes on the broad part of the rays were the mouths of the animal. From Dr. Schloffer's defcription it appears as if there were little fibres moving both in the holes on the broad part of the rays, which holes he likewife takes to be the mouths of the animal, and alfo fibres in the great opening of the epidermis in the center, which opening he obferved to expand and contract at particular times with great alertnefs and velocity.

The number of rays in these ftars is from five to twelve; eight is the most common number.

From the observations which I have already made on this fubstance in the Philosophical Transactions, Vol. 49. pag. 454. they don't appear to me to be polypes extending from ftarry openings on the furface, and confequently not to answer the character of an Alcyonium, but to be formed at different times with additional rays, which we may perceive endeavouring to thrust their pointed part towards the opening of the epidermis in the center, and unite with the reft; befides, the whole intermediate fleshy part is full of roundish bodies adhering to fibres, which as they approach the furface appear more pear-shaped, but lower down they are smaller and of a globular form : these all feem to be the young beginnings of future rays. In order to examine this fubftance more particularly, I have lately diffected feveral of thefe obtuse rays, which viewed fideways and separately, have the appearance of a ftomach. In the infide of thefe, which was full of (rugæ) wrinkles, I perceived fmall eggs and a loofe fubstance, as if the food digested. There is fomething

fomething fingular in the contraction and dilatation of the opening of the outward fkin over the holes at the fmaller end of the rays. We cannot confider this as a mouth, when at the fame time it is agreed that the holes on the broad end of the rays are mouths; fo that the use of this central hole must be left to future observation, when it is fuspected it will be found to be a new genus.

5. Alcyonium mammillofum.

Alcyonium with little Teats. TAB. I. FIG. 4.5;

Alcyonium albidum coriaceum, mamillis convexis: centro cavo fubstellato, coadunatis. This whitifh leather-like Alcyonium is fpread over rocks, with many convex teatlike figures, hollow in the middle, with a faint ftar-like appearance, and united clofe together.

TAB. 1. FIG. 4. 5.

Lapidis Astroitidis sive stellaris primordia. Sloane Hist. Jam. Vol. 1. tab. 21. fig. 1. 2. 3.

Sir Hans Sloane, who has given a figure of this and the following Alcyonium in his Hiftory of Jamaica, takes it to be the beginning of the Aftroite Coral : but the foftnefs of the fubftance, of which it is composed, fhews it to be of a different genus. The Weft-India iflands afford us feveral varieties of this kind. Each mamilla, or cell, has a polype within it, adhering to its bafe by twelve filaments, which anfwer to as many tentacula when they extend themfelves.

Fig. 4. is the natural fize of a piece of this Alcyonium; fig. 5. is the figure of two cells opened perpendicularly to A a 2 fhew fhew the polypes as they are fixt in them and contracted; fig. 7. reprefents one of the Polypes taken out of the Alcyonium digitatum, with its tentacula extended, to shew how each answers to its filament at the bottom, and gives us an idea of these when they open their cells and extend themselves.

T'AE. I. 6. Alcyonium ocellatum. RIG. 6.

> Alcyonium ferrugineum coriaceum, cellulis fubcylindricis rugofis, apicibus radiatis et ocellatis.

Alcyonium with little Eyes.

This coriaceous iron-colored Alcyonium has many wrinkled cylindrical cells united together; their tops are radiated, and each has the appearance of an eye in the center.

TAB. J. FIG. 6.

This is one of Sir Hans Sloane's first beginning of the Astroite Corals. Specimens of this and the former are in the British Museum.

I have received fome fpecimens of this preferved in fpirits from Mr. Greg, from Dominica; they are of a tough vifcid nature, and appear to have fome fine fand mixt in their texture. They fpread over rocks with a fingle fuperficies of cells, as the Fluftra does on fucus's and fhells, but never rife into branched figures that I have yet feen. They have twelve rays.

7. Alcyonium tuberofum.

Tuberous Alcyonium.

Alcyonium flavescens This yellowish Alcyonium tuberosum, apicibus sæpe is full of knobs, many of subdivisis, subdivisis, poris tubulosis confertis.

which are a little divided at top; the whole is covered over with tubulous pores, fet very clofe together.

The fubftance of this Alcyonium, now it is dry, is more friable than leather, and not unlike the dried flefh of most of the Gorgonias. It is two inches and a half long, and one inch and a half high; it feems to have adhered to a rock. It was found on the coast of the Island of Mauritius, and prefented to me by my worthy friend Dr. John Fothergill.

8. Alcyonium gorgonoides.

Gorgon-like Alcyonium.

Tab. 9. Fig.1.2.

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Alcyonium cinereum arenofo-carnofum cellulis radiatis verruciformibus. This Alcyonium is of an afh-color, and of a flefhy fubftance mixt with fand, having radiated wart-fhaped cells.

TAB. 9. FIG. 1. 2.

The cells of this Alcyonium are much fmaller than those of the A. mamillosum or A. ocellatum beforementioned, but are composed of the fame number of rays, that is, twelve to each cell. It is often found incrusting rocks and corals; and in the specimen here figured, it is incrusting the Sertularia frutescens. I received this specimen from Dr. Pallas, who fent it to me to convince me that he had found a new Sertularia, which united the Sertularias with the Gorgonias, and gives it the name of Sertularia Gorgonia in his book on Zoophytes, pag. 158. It was brought from Curasson in the West Indies. At fig. 2. is a magnified part of the ftem of the Sertularia, with fome of the wart-fhaped cells of the Alcyonium upon it.

XVI. S P O N G I A.

Animal fixum, flexile, polymorphum, torpidiffimum, contextum vel e fibris reticulatis, vel e fpinulis, gelatina viva veftitis;

Ofculis feu foraminibus fuperficiei aquam respirans.

SPONGE

Is an animal that is fixt, flexible, and very torpid, growing in a variety of forms, composed either of reticulated fibres, or masses of fmall spines interwoven together, which are clothed with a living gelatinous shear full of spines mouths or holes on its furface, by which it sucks in and throws out the water.

As to the nature and formation of Sponges, I fhall refer the reader to my letter on this fubject, addreffed to Doctor Solander, publifhed in the Philofophical Tranfactions, Vol. 55. p. 280. I fhall only add, that the texture of them is very different in different fpecies; fome being composed wholly of interwoven reticulated fibres, when others are composed of little masses of ftrait fibres of different fizes, from the most minute fpiculæ to ftrong elastic fhining fpines, like fmall needles of one-third of an inch long; befides these, there is an intermediate fort between the reticulated and the finer fasciculated kinds, which feem to partake of both forts.

But I must observe here, that those that are composed of the stronger and larger bundles of elastic fibres, like needles,

needles, though they have been reckoned Alcyoniums by most authors, yet in my opinion it appears, from the accurate defcriptions given us of these bodies, both by Count Marfigli and Dr. Donati, who had feen and examined them alive in fea-water, and who could never difcover any polype fuckers extending out of their pores, that they should not be reckoned among the Alcyoniums; for these polype fuckers are the diftinguishing character of that genus, as much as the pores without the polypes in these elaftic fibrous bodies, is the character of the Sponges. Thefe are the Alcyonium Lyncurium and Alcyonium Cydonium of Linn. Syft. pag. 1295. The Alcyonium Burfa Linn. also appears from the description given of it by Rondeletius to be one of the fame kind. This is faid by Mr. Ray to be found on our coafts, but I have never yet met with it. Count Marfigli calls it Aurantium Marinum, and fays it appeared to have life in it, when he cut a piece of it with his sciffars. That the surface was covered with a great number of glands that transmitted the water from the outfide to the infide, which was croffed by a number of fine threads fhining like filver; but he makes no mention of any polypes on the furface.

1. Spongia officinalis.

Common Sponge.

Spongia multiformistenax porofissima lobata tomentosa. This Sponge is found in a variety of forms; it is elaftic, very full of holes; it grows into lobes, and is of a woolly confiftence.

Common officinal Sponge. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 55. p. 288. tab. 10. fig. D. E.

Spongia officinalis. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1298. This

This Sponge generally adheres to rocks by a very broad base. It is often found inclosing small stones and shells. Variety of marine animals pierce and gnaw it into irregular winding cavities; these appear on the outfide by large holes raifed higher than the reft; it varies in color from a pale to a deep yellow, and likewife in the confiftence of the fibres. When we cut it perpendicularly, we find the internal part confifting of small tubes, which divide into branches as they approach the furface. These tubes, which are composed of reticulated fibres, extend themfelves every way, by this means increasing the furface of the Sponge, and ending on the outfide in an infinite number of fmall circular holes, which are the proper mouths of the animal : each of these holes is furrounded by a few erect pointed fibres, which appear as if wove in the form of little spines. These tubes, with their ramifications, in the living state of the Sponge, are clothed with a gelatinous fubstance properly called the flesh of the animal. This the fishermen, as soon as they are brought on shore, are obliged to fqueeze out and wash the Sponge clean, to prevent its growing putrid. When they are first taken out of the fea they have a strong fishy smell, and when the Sponge is burnt, the fmell foon difcovers its animal nature. This kind, of which there are many varieties, is chiefly collected about the illands in the Archipelago, in the Mediterranean Sea, where it is a confiderable article of commerce.

2. Spongia oculata.

Spongia ramofissima mollis, ramis compressiusculis ascendentibus sæpe

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Branched English Sponge.

This Sponge is delicately foft, and very much branched; the branches are a very little *confluentibus*, confluentibus, poris prominulis bifarie dispositis.

compreffed, and grow erect, often uniting together; they have rows of cells on each margin that project a little.

Branched English Sponge. Ellis Corallin. pag. 80. tab. 32. fig. f. F. Phil. Transf. Vol. 55. pag. 288. tab. 10. fig. B.

Spongia oculata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1298.

This Sponge is of a pale yellow color, and grows from five to ten inches high; it is often dichotomous, and the branches end obtufely. The fibres are reticulated, and the gelatinous part or flefh is fo tender, that when it is taken out of the water it foon dries away. It is found very common all round the fea coafts of thefe kingdoms.

3. Spongia muricata.

Shagg Sponge.

Spongia stirpe suberosa ramosa, ramis cylindricis fasciculis villosis undique muricatis. The fubftance of the ftem of this Sponge is like cork, and branched; the branches are cylindrical, and furrounded on all fides with obtufe little fhaggy tufts.

Branched tuberculated Sponge. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 55. pag. 288. tab. 11. fig. F.

Spongia muricata. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1298.

This curious Sponge was fent from our factory at Cape Coaft Caftle on the coaft of Africa, where it grows in plenty on the rocks.

4. Spongia

4. Spongia cristata.

Cock's-Comb Sponge.

Spongia plana compressa erecta mollis, poris prominulis superne seriatim dispositis.

This Sponge is flat, erect, and tender, growing in the fhape of cocks-combs, with rows of little holes along the tops, which project a little.

Cock's-Comb Sponge. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 55. pag. 288. tab. 11. fig. G.

This Sponge grows on the rocks to the eaftward of Haftings, in Suffex, and may be eafily difcovered at low water. The common fize of it is about three inches long, and two inches high; but this varies much in different fpecimens. It is of a yellowifh color, and was found many together growing parallel to each other. When it was taken out of the fea and put into a glafs veffel of fea-water, I perceived it to fuck in and fquirt out the water through the rows of holes or little mouths along the tops, giving evident figns of life.

5. Spongia ftuposa.

Tow Sponge.

Spongia *ramofa teres ftupofa atque villofa*.

Sponge with round branches, foft like tow, and covered with fine pointed hairs.

Downy branched English Sponge. Phil. Trans. Vol. 55. pag. 288. tab. 10. fig. C.

This little Sponge is of a pale yellow color, and about three inches high. It was found thrown on the fhore at Haftings, in Suffex.

6. Spongia

6. Spongia dichotoma.

Dichotomous Sponge.

Spongia ramofa tenax, ramis dichotomis erectis teretibus fuberofis fubvillofis. Stiff, branched Sponge, with round, upright, elastic branches, covered with minute hairs.

Dichotomous branched Sponge. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 55. pag. 289. tab. 11. fig. I.

Spongia dichotoma. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. pag. 1299.

This was found on the coaft of Norway, and grows to five or fix inches high; it is of a pale yellow color, and full of very minute pores.

7. Spongia urens.

Spongia multiformisporofa, fpinulis intertexta, tenerrima mollis. This Sponge is of many forms, full of pores, very brittle and foft, and interwoven with the minuteft fpines.

Stinging Sponge.

Sponge like Crumb of Bread. Ellis Corallin. pag. 80. tab. 16. fig. d. d I. D I. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 55. pag. 288. tab. 10. fig. A.

Spongia tomentosa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1299.

The fpecimens, which I have met with of this Sponge, are full of papillæ, or fmall protuberances, with a hole in each, from whence they fuck in and throw out the water, as through fo many mouths. It is very common on the British coast, and is frequently found furrounding fucus's. It is also found on the coast of Africa, and in the East Indies. When it is fresh taken out of the fea, it is of a bright orange color, and full of gelatinous flesh; B b 2 but but when it has lain for fome time dry on the fhore, it becomes whitifh and very light, and has the appearance, when it is broke, of the crumb or foft part of bread.

If it is examined with a common magnified glafs, we find it composed of an infinite number of minute spines, which if rubbed on the flesh will raise blissers like cowitch. It is remarked, that if it is dried in an oven this peculiar property of stinging is much increased, especially that variety of it which is found on the sea coast of North America.

8. Spongia Ventilabrum.

Spongia flabelliformis stuposa, venis lignosis reticulatis, obtectis poris favigineis.

9. Spongia tubulofa.

Fan Sponge.

This Sponge is fhaped like a fan, of a tow-like fubftance, with woody reticulated veins, which are covered with pores like a honeycomb.

Sea-Fan Sponge. Phil. Tranf. Vol. 55. pag. 289. tab. 11. fig. H.

Spongia Ventilabra. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1296.

The fize of the fpecimen, which I received from Stavanger on the coaft of Norway, is but fix inches high and five broad; but there are much larger found on that coaft. It has the exact refemblance of a fmall Fan Gorgonia, only the pores are of angular fhapes, and of a fpongy nature; fo that, as Dr. Linnæus remarks, it looks like a Gorgonia covered with a Sponge.

Тав. 58. Fig. 7.

Pipy Sponge.

Spongia tubulosa ra- This Sponge is full of tubes; mosa tenax, tubulis se- it is branched and elastic; cundis.

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cundis arrectis, apicibus attenuatis.

the tubes come out on one fide of the flem; they are erect, and grow flender at the tops.

TAB. 58. FIG. 7.

Spongia tubulosa. Linn. Syft. Nat. Ed. 12. p. 1297.

This Sponge grows from four to fix inches high; it is hollow through the whole infide. The reticulations on the furface are firm and elaftic; it is of a deep yellow color, inclining to an orange. It was brought from Batavia by William Webber, Efq. F. R. S.

10. Spongia palmata.

Spongia palmata: digitis apice fubdivifis, poris prominulis inordinate dispositis. Palmated Sponge.

This Sponge is like a hand with fingers, which are a little divided at the top; the mouths are a little prominent, and irregularly difpofed on the furface.

TAB. 58. FIG. 6.

This Sponge was found on the fea beach at Brighthelmftone, in Suffex. It is of a reddifh color inclining to yellow, and of the fame foft woolly texture with the common English Branched Sponge, or Spongia oculata.

11. Spongia prolifera.

Spongia multoties ramoso-palmata: digitis distinctis.

Proliferous Sponge.

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This Sponge grows feveral times branched, one above another, in the form of hands, ending in diftinct fingers.

TAB. 58. FIG. 5.

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I received a large mass of this Sponge from New Jerfey; it grows in great bunches on that coast, but is not above five or fix inches high. The pores are very small and numerous; the infide is composed of hard wiry reticulations, and the outfide is full of minute spines.

TAB.58. 12. Spongia botryoides. Fig.1-4

> Spongiatenenerrimaramosa quasi racemosa : racemis cavis uviformibus, apicibus apertis.

This Sponge is very tender, and branched, as if in bunches; the bunches are hollow, in the fhape of grapes, and each is open at top.

Grape Sponge.

TAB. 58. FIG. 1-4.

This beautiful little Sponge is of a bright fhining white color. The bunches are made up of oblong oval figures, open at the end; thefe openings feem to be the mouths of the animal, to fuck in and throw out the water. When the furface is highly magnified, it feems covered with little maffes of triple equidiftant fhining fpines, as reprefented at fig. 4.

This was found, among many other fea productions, in the harbour near Emfworth, between Suffex and Hampfhire.

TAB.58. 13. Spongia coronata. FIG.8.9.

> Spongia simplex tubulosa minima, apice spinulis radiatis coronata.

Coronet Sponge.

This minute fingle tubelike fponge is furrounded at top by a crown of little fpines.

TAB. 58. FIG. 8.9.

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This little Sponge, when magnified, is covered all over with little rifing points; it is hollow and open at the top: the rays that compose the little crown are of a bright shining pearl color; the body is of a pale yellow. It was found with the foregoing in the harbour of Emsworth.

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